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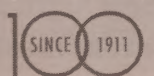


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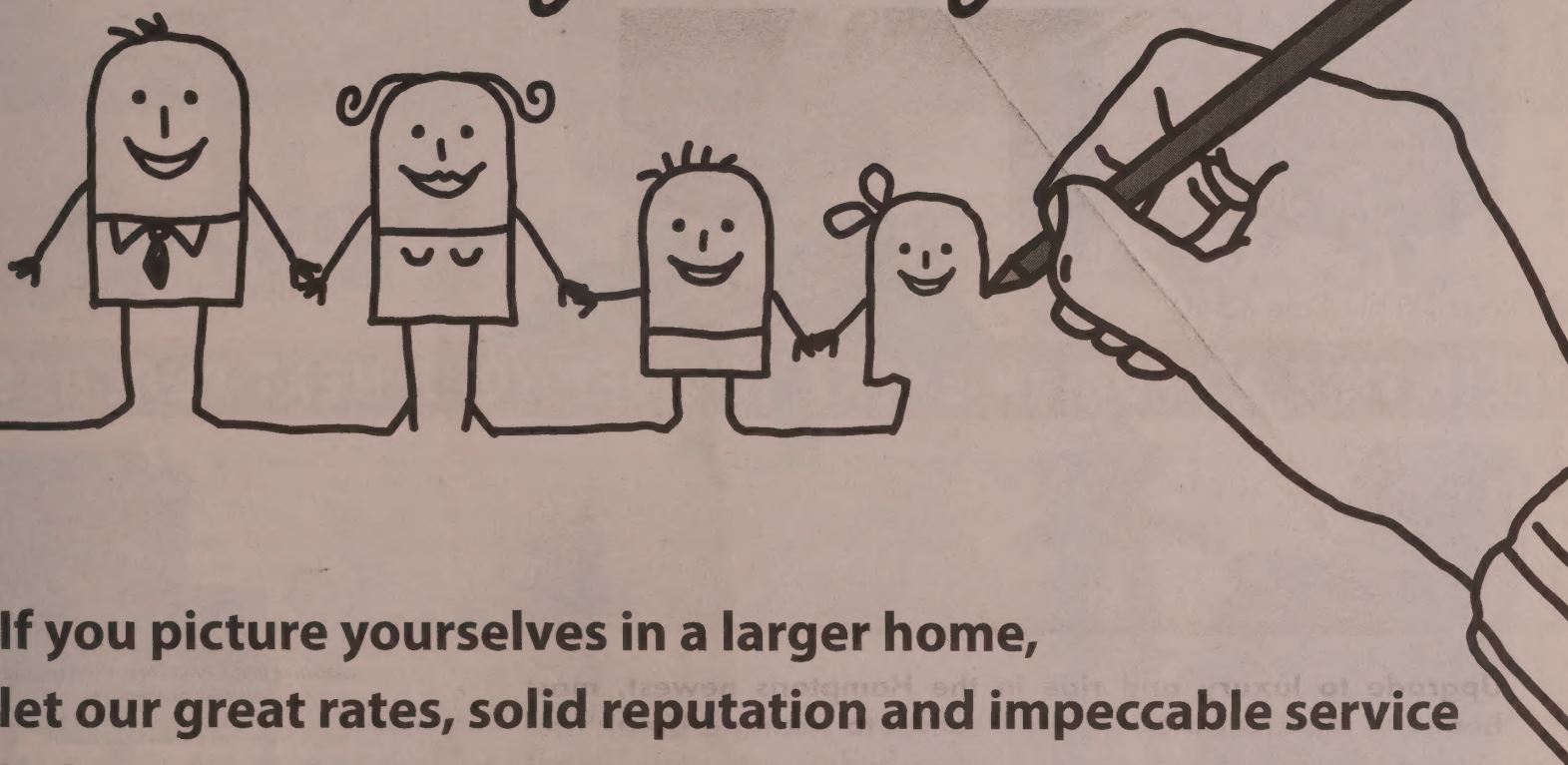
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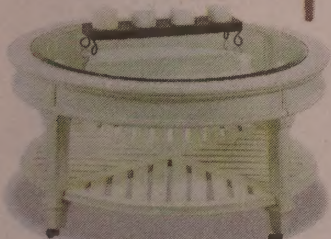
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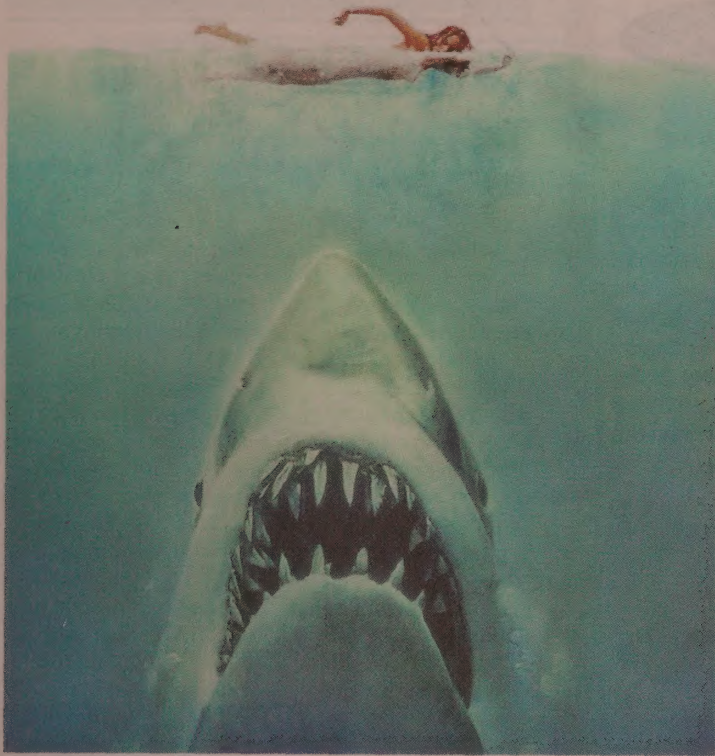
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Jaws Vs. War Horse

The First and Last Spielberg Film Premiered in East Hampton

By Dan Rattiner

The soon-to-be-released movie *War Horse*, directed by Steven Spielberg, was shown in East Hampton over the Thanksgiving Weekend. It was a sneak preview, with only very high-profile guests invited, and it took place in the private movie theatre in the Goose Creek Mansion on Wainscott Stone Highway. Attending on either Friday or Saturday night—the film was shown twice—were Jon Bon Jovi, Christie Brinkley and her daughters Alexa Ray and Sailor, John McEnroe, Lorraine Bracco, Jeff Zucker, Martha Stewart, Jay McInerney, Blythe Danner, Julian Schnabel and his daughter Lola, Candice Bergen and Allen Grubman. On Saturday night, Grubman invited many of the guests to his house for dinner.

This is Spielberg's most recent movie. His first major film, *Jaws*, also had a first showing in East Hampton, and these are the only two of his movies that have premiered here. But that first one was 36 years ago. And the truth is the contrast between the two events tells you more about the Hamptons than it does about the films. Huge changes have taken place here in the interval.

Dan Rattiner's second memoir, *IN THE HAMPTONS TOO: Further Encounters with Farmers, Fishermen, Artists, Billionaires and Celebrities*, is available in hardcover wherever books are sold. The first memoir, *IN THE HAMPTONS*, published by Random House, is available in paperback. A third memoir, *STILL IN THE HAMPTONS*, will be published in May.

In the present circumstance, you were either IN to watch *War Horse* or you were OUT. And if you were IN but not invited to the Grubman dinner, you were OUT but not so OUT as if you had not been invited to the showing. Afterwards, a press release announcing the attendees was sent out to the media.

In the case of *Jaws*, which was from a book by that name featuring the Hamptons prominently, the media barrage went out well ahead of the planned premiere. The PR people were looking for maximum publicity, the biggest buck. And that effort included sending PR people out to the Hamptons to get the locals ready for something they had never seen happen here before.

When the time came, a red carpet was rolled out from the entrance of the East Hampton Cinema to the street. Floodlights lit the scene. Photographers lined the carpet. Black stretch limousines pulled up and some of the actors and of course Mr. Spielberg were on hand to wave to this crowd of people looking on in amazement, wondering what was happening to the town.

At the same time, the residents of this town—the Main Street was lined with mom and pop stores such as the East Hampton Five and Ten, Marley's Stationery Store and Diamond's Furniture—were also wondering if the showing of *Jaws* would ruin the summer.

This town, and all the other towns in the Hamptons at that time, were dependent for their livelihood not on celebrities and their entourages, but on farming, fishing and, in the summer, the tourists.

According to all the build up to this premiere, the film could terrify people to the point that

they might never go in the ocean again. The plot involved a man-eating shark who indeed, during the course of the film, ate numerous individuals in a very grisly manner.

I chose NOT to see the movie. I watched as the rich and famous pulled up to the theatre in their limos and went inside, then went down to Main Beach for awhile to defiantly go for a swim (my last swim?) and then return in time to see some of those who went in come back out.

Numerous people were near to hysterical. "I'm never going in the ocean again!" a 10-year-old told me, confirming our worst fears.

"It wasn't that bad," said a young couple who came out holding hands. Obviously they had held one another when the worst parts were taking place, so that was a comfort.

I asked about 10 people what they thought. Half were terrified. A few were crying. The other half were okay. We would lose half our summer.

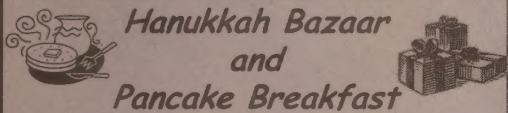
As it turned out, however, having the *Jaws* premiere in East Hampton was a huge net positive. Most of those who got scared out of their minds soon got over it. Meanwhile, the mention of East Hampton put the town on the map, and the names of the celebrities attending—Roy Scheider and Richard Dreyfuss, among many others—seemed to spark interest in coming out to the Hamptons to see what it was all about and to try to rub shoulders with the celebrities. Both Roy Scheider and Steven Spielberg bought houses here.

As for me, at that premiere, among other things, I was shocked to see this hysterical

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Shelter Island resident, **Moritz Linn**, age 10, has a principal role in the Metropolitan Opera's production of *Rodelinda* with **Renee Fleming**. Performances go through December 10, the December 3 matinee performance will be broadcast live and shown at East Hampton's Guild Hall. (See calendar listings on page 34.)

South Fork foodies **Martha Stewart** and **Rachael Ray** offered fans tips and treats for Thanksgiving last week. Stewart devotees could download a free cookbook and call in to her Sirius Radio show. Ray answered questions in a "Thanksgiving Live" Food Network special.

East Hampton Chef, **Joe Realmuto**, has been honored with the inaugural Community First Award. Realmuto was nominated by **Doreen Quaranto** of Most Holy Trinity Church in East Hampton for his work with the community.

Southampton's **Calvin Klein** was the keynote speaker at the CFDA/Vogue Fashion Fund dinner gala held recently in New York. In attendance were fellow Hamptons designers **Vera Wang**, **Donna Karan** and **Tory Burch**.

North Haven resident **Jimmy Buffett** appeared on "Hawaii Five-0" last week. The singer played veteran pilot Frank Bama, a character borrowed from Buffett's 1992 novel, *Where is Joe Merchant?*

Sam Talbot, executive chef at Montauk's Surf Lodge, discusses a 20-year health struggle in his new book, *The Sweet Life: Diabetes Without Boundaries*. The memoir includes recipes and health tips.

South Fork residents **Peter Hermann**, **Mariska Hargitay** and **Brooke Shields** attended a Cinema Society screening of East Hampton resident **Steven Spielberg's** new movie, *War Horse*, at Manhattan's Tribeca Grand Hotel last week.

Alan Alda's original play, *Radiance: The Passion of Marie Curie*, is currently in production at the Geffen Playhouse in Los Angeles.

Congratulations, **Alec Baldwin**! The Amagansett resident made *People* magazine's Sexiest Man Alive issue, along with **Bradley Cooper**, **Dylan McDermott**, **Tim McGraw**, **Ryan Gosling** and more.

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Postal Advice

Where to Find \$6 Billion? Not by Closing the Sagaponack P.O.

By Dan Rattiner

The postal service announced last week that it lost \$6 billion last year. It's desperate. It wants to cease deliveries on Saturdays. And it wants to close little used post offices.

We have a number of old and charming post offices here in the Hamptons. Quogue is one. Sagaponack is another. It's hard to imagine not having the little post office in Sagaponack. It shares a 150-year-old building with Sagg General Store. Beautiful Rae Lerner runs the place with authority and grace. She'll announce when you come in (a little bell over the screen door goes ding-a-ling) that your package from Amazon either arrived or it didn't. She may

also inquire about your family. It would be a shame to see this office or any of the other little ones close.

I have some ideas for the postal service that could turn the red ink black. And I hope that somebody in authority there reads what I have in mind.

The big problem with the postal service is that it is very labor intensive. Every letter that is brought in has to be put into a truck with other letters and driven on the highways and backroads to somewhere else. This means there's a lot of gasoline used, tires worn, oil changes done, repairs made. The postal service is proud that it does this. The adage is

"through rain, snow, or sleet the mail must get through." Given those problems, and all the other hazards—dogs that bite ankles, traffic jams that slow them down, hurt backs from lugging sacks of letters, husbands and wives yelling at each other when they arrive and so forth and so on—letter carriers are only a slight bit shy of American heroes. Norman Rockwell frequently painted them. Writers have written poems about them. And in more recent years, there is the care we give them, well earned, of early retirement, combat pay and lifetime medical care for their knees and backs.

But all this is now history. A good history to

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BANK ON THE BRINK? IT'S A FAIR QUESTION

By David Lion Rattiner

Suffolk County National Bank is one of the largest banks on Long Island, but recently NASDAQ made a decision to take them off the exchange because the bank was late in filing two quarterly reports.

In August the bank announced that it would not file its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2011 within the prescribed time. The reason, according to the bank, was that following the end of the first quarter, management identified possible deficiencies and/or weaknesses in the company's internal controls with respect to credit administration and credit risk

management, primarily with respect to the timing of the recognition of credit risk, as well as with regard to risk rating, which affected the computation of the allowance for loan losses. The bank said that it determined that the allowance for loan losses should be adjusted in certain prior periods and this determination has an effect on its ability to file the Form 10-Q.

In response to this announcement, NASDAQ decided to de-list the bank from the stock exchange, which was something that the bank expected would happen. Currently the bank still sits on the exchange and is appealing the decision. There will be a hearing on January 19

to decide the matter of the de-listing.

So the question is—what's going on with Suffolk County National Bank?

Looking at the information available, it is difficult to determine why the bank did not supply their 10-Q form, which is a very common form that provides information on the status of how a business is doing after three months of operation. That information is extremely important to investors in the bank's stock because it is used to compare a lot of important financial information such as earnings and profits, from prior quarters and years. So why not fill it out? Is it because

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be sure. But history nevertheless. The postal service must look to the future. And the future, in spite of what they might think, is bright and shiny.

People are used to going to the Post Office. Everybody knows where their post office is. So as far as traffic flow is concerned, that's a big plus. What if, when you came into the post office, there was a typewriter keyboard where you could compose your love letter, or thank you letter, or letter of complaint right on a computer screen right there in the lobby? What you write could be shadowed by a computer screen in the back room of the post office where a postal worker could paste it into a document and send it off via the Internet to where it was supposed to go?

For those who need help with typing, there could be a way to speak your letter into a microphone on the computer in the lobby where—amazingly—one of these new voice recognition programs would convert it into words and put it on the screen without a person having to put a finger to a key. It might also be possible, where the message is of an intimate nature, for a person to be invited in the back where a carefully screened post office official could take the dictation down in the privacy of a small cubicle.

In any one of these cases, the post office could, on request, have special postal employees check letters for spelling and grammar to make sure everything is right and proper.

All this is very fine, you might say, but there are just some times when an actual piece

of paper or document has to be physically delivered from point A to point B. In fact, it is now possible for the postal service to be able to drop the word "physically." All Post Offices could be outfitted with "scanners." A person could go to the front desk, ask that a piece of paper be "scanned," select the quality of paper it needs to be put on, and have an employee in the back "scan it in" as they say, after which that too can be sent by Internet to a post office elsewhere where it can be "printed out" and the recipient informed by a phone call exactly as if it had been physically delivered all that way.

You might think all of this would cost a pretty penny both in equipment and training of members of the postal service. But there is a huge way that all this could be paid for.

I'm told there are more than two million postal service vehicles in service today, all of which would be no longer needed. Put all of them on eBay. There's a huge market for these vehicles. Who amongst us, among all the left-hand drive vehicles on the road today, wouldn't want one with right-hand drive for when that would be needed? Huge sums of money will come into the postal service. The deficit would vanish from just that alone.

There are lots of other services that could be offered at post offices. Have you heard of "Story Corps?" This is a nonprofit service offered free of charge to the general public where people can interview their aging parents or anyone they choose on tape and send the tapes into the national archives library for easy access to

anyone who wants to hear them.

The post offices could serve as branches of "Story Corps." Old people sit out front of post offices on benches telling stories anyway. Invite them in and have them talk into that computer in the lobby. They'd be proud to do it.

And then there's coffee. As Starbucks and other firms have proven, many people want to drink their coffee in a social setting before heading out for their day. Offer coffee at the counter. Starbucks gets \$4.50 for a grande cappuccino with whole milk, one Equal and cinnamon. The post office could charge \$5.50, announcing that the extra dollar would be used to help end the national deficit.

And then there is culture and entertainment. Libraries around America have had to deal with the same problems as post offices. And they have solved these problems by adding folk singers and lecturers and even films.

After 5 p.m., when post offices close, there's no reason the Postal Service could not do the same every night. There could be lectures on almost any topic the federal government is interested in—Say No to Drugs, Defeating Terrorism, Memorizing the Declaration of Independence, the Dangers of Joining the American Nazi Party—right there in the lobby.

All the Postal Service has to do is sit down and have a big think session—I Have a Dream could be the theme of it—and stuff out of the box will magically appear, such as what I have proposed above, and this could solve all their problems.

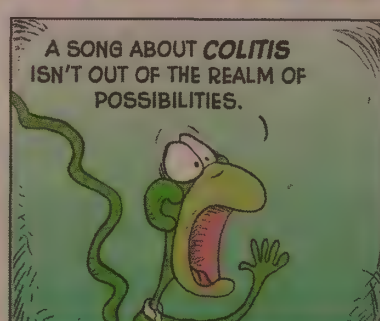
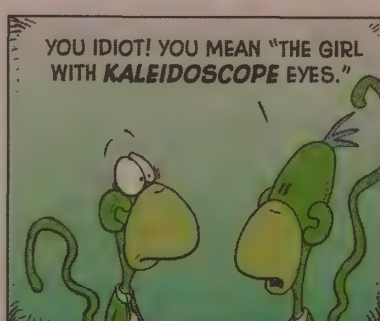
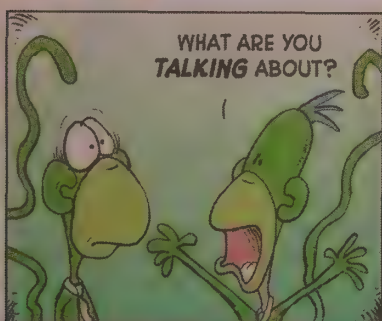
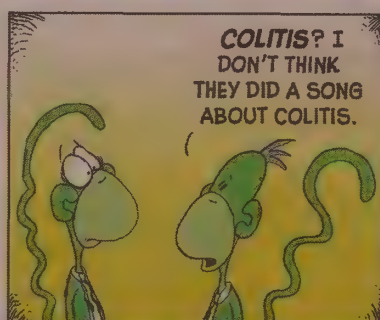
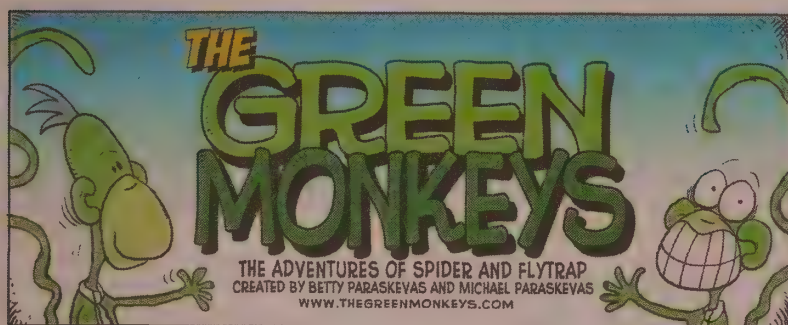




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Sag Harbor Glows

A Walk in Town After Sunset and Some Interesting Encounters

By Dan Rattiner

A nice thing to do around 5 p.m. on a late November day is take a walk down one side of Main Street in Sag Harbor and then back up the other. It's dark out at 5 p.m. Yet the stores are open and bright inside and the big Sag Harbor Theatre neon sign glows mightily in the center of town. Also, many people are out, some walking their dogs, or just as we were, out for a little exercise.

It's about a quarter mile from Il Capuccino to the end of Long Wharf and then a quarter mile back up the other side to the pizza parlor Conca D'Oro. It's a lot about window-shopping and meeting people you might know. And, if it's a warm November night, which it was last

Sunday, all the better.

My wife and I parked our car out front of Il Capuccino and got out. We looked in the windows at the Chianti bottles that have been hanging from the ceiling for 40 years or so. Under them, the waiters were setting up for the evening meal. We strolled north, toward the bay.

We stopped in at Fisher's Furniture to see if they had a little side table we'd like for our TV room. There was a candidate or two, but nothing exactly like Chris wanted. In the end, she wound up with a telescopic metal back scratcher for \$7 she thought I would like. We left. We held hands crossing the street. At other times, we walked with our arms around

each other's waists. We're pals.

We walked past the Apple Bank on the opposite corner and then past the Paradise. Lights were dimmed inside. Over the bar, there was a soccer match on the TV. We walked on.

We passed the art gallery by the movie theatre and I stepped just inside while my wife walked ahead to read the movie posters in the street showcases to see what was playing. Look here, she said. I came over. There was something we decided we'd like to see next week. We walked on.

We passed LT Burger—good smells of burgers, malts and fries emanating out from

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THE BATTLE TO PUT UP AN ERUV CONTINUES

By Dan Rattiner

A judge in Islip decided not to issue a requested summary judgment—to decide a case in the plaintiff's favor without the necessity of going into detail—in a case involving the Villages of Westhampton Beach and Quogue.

Some say it was a victory for the villages, and technically it was. The case will go on. Others say it was a sort of tie. The judge did deny the request brought by the Orthodox Jewish religious group wanting to erect an eruv in the community. On the other hand, the judge admonished both villages for not currently having ordinances that clearly state a position regarding eruvs. He urged the communities to create such ordinances. But who knew about eruvs?

For those of you don't know, here's a brief

description of an eruv. In Orthodox law, Jews are told that no work should be done on the Sabbath, which is from Friday sundown to Saturday sundown. It's a day of rest. But how do you define "work?" Rabbis in ancient time, interpreting the law, decided that doing common household chores around the house, although requiring effort, were exempt from the definition. Soon they were studying the definition of "house." And from this they concluded it was the four walls within which you felt safe, or, in later years, a series of poles upon which a wire could be strung to suggest walls that could surround an entire property. The rabbis called such arrangements "eruvs."

In one later ruling, widely accepted, an entire section of a town or even a town itself could be considered exempt if an eruv could be strung

defining it. The rabbis said it would satisfy them. But where a community was shared with others, you'd need permission to put up an eruv—such permission tacitly acknowledging the safety that the eruv would bring.

As it happens, in many communities, there are telephone poles. Hundreds, even thousands of special wires on poles surround some communities in America today where orthodox Jews live. It's not an uncommon thing. One eruv surrounds the White House. The Feds were happy to oblige. What harm could it do?

Well, as it happens, in a certain way, enough so that we are now embroiled, going on almost four years, about a proposed eruv in Westhampton Beach and Quogue. And now it

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Bank

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business is going so poorly that releasing that information would be catastrophic? That would be something worth speculating, but Suffolk County National Bank HAS released that information to the public, just not on the 10-Q form, and things at the bank seem to be doing okay. For the third quarter of 2011, the bank released its financial information to investors and stated that Suffolk was profitable during the third quarter of 2011. Suffolk exceeded the capital ratios for a "well-capitalized" institution as of September 30, 2011 under 12 CFR 6.4, and further, exceeded each of the individual minimum capital ratios agreed upon with regulators. Suffolk's allowance for loan losses at September 30, 2011, was \$43,693,000, or 4.3% of total loans. Suffolk's net interest margin (FTE) for the quarter was 4.72%. And the President and Chief Executive Officer J. Gordon Huszagh commented, "We are releasing the results of our operations for the third quarter in preliminary form to provide our shareholders, customers, and employees with information as to the condition and prospects of Suffolk Bancorp, and its banking subsidiary, Suffolk County National Bank. The process of restating the third and fourth quarters of 2010 and moving forward to definitive statements for the first and second quarters of 2011 has taken far longer than any of the parties involved anticipated, and we continue to work diligently to make those filings as soon as possible. We felt it was important to inform all interested parties that Suffolk County National Bank is profitable on a quarterly basis, has substantial capital, and has an

allowance for possible loan losses based on a comprehensive analysis of the loan portfolio. We are, therefore, and expect to continue to be, able to conduct our business; whether through loans to creditworthy borrowers, or by accepting deposits, or providing any one of the other services we have offered to the customers in each of the communities we have served in the past."

So in other words, the bank is doing fine, they just didn't have time to fill out the 10-Q and are getting to it.

But things do not seem to be going too well, at least in terms of how the bank's stock has traded over the last year. In January of 2011, the bank traded at a high of about \$25 a share and since then it has tanked dramatically to its current trading day of \$7.71 a share.

And there is more bad news. The bank is facing a class action lawsuit from investors. Reuters News Service announced on November 8 that the law firm of "Dyer & Berens LLP has filed a class action lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York on behalf of all persons who purchased the common stock of Suffolk Bancorp between March 12, 2010 and August 10, 2011, inclusive (Class Period). The complaint alleges that, during the Class Period, defendants issued materially false and misleading statements regarding the Company's business and prospects. Specifically, defendants misrepresented and/or failed to disclose the following adverse facts: that the Company's financial results were artificially inflated due to the material understatement of Suffolk's loan loss reserves; that the Company's

financial results were artificially inflated due to a failure to recognize its impaired assets; that the Company's internal and disclosure controls were materially deficient; and that, based on the foregoing, defendants lacked a reasonable basis for their positive statements about the Company, its prospects and growth."

Will a de-listing for the bank be catastrophic for its customers and its business? Not necessarily. There are plenty of banks in New York that do not choose to list on any stock exchange and are still solid businesses. Banking, pretty much by definition, is a good business to be in. Calls to Suffolk County National Bank weren't returned.

Jaws

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group of people with cameras rushing around like panting dogs taking pictures of famous people. Certainly *Dan's Papers* didn't have anybody down there doing that.

And so here it is today and the downtown is filled with the most expensive shops imaginable from Ralph Lauren to Tiffany's and onward and the local mom and pop merchants cannot afford downtown. As for the rest, every Hollywood, Broadway, Media Mogul and Rock Star either lives here or visits someone who is here.

And so the networking continues, behind the hedgerows of course. Fishing and farming and tourism remain, but these industries have faded off into the background a bit. And that's the way it is.

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HONORING THE WRITERS: WAINSCOTT DREAMING

By James M. McMahon, PhD

In addition to their beautiful daughter, the greatest gift my in-laws gave me was to take me to the sea. I grew up in the West Bronx, and summer water for me was the view of the Harlem River from the stoop of my home, or the occasional forays across the Borough on the hot, gas-stinking #40 bus to Orchard Beach or the crazy rock spit at the end of City Island. So when Helen and Earl loaded Ann and me and the boxes of kitchen utensils and beach gear into the 1957 Chevrolet for the pre-expressway schlep to Tidewater cabins in Hampton Bays, I saw for the first time the Atlantic shore with its powdery white sand, its galloping blue waves, its pastel sky sprinkled with flaky white clouds, all seasoned with tasty mild wind and light. It took my breath away and does each time I arrive, even after 50 years.

Each year we returned, graduating to a tiny space in Wainscott called the Cozy Cabins. Cozy indeed. It was (and is) steps south of Montauk Highway and consisted of a little village of separate, identical buildings, the sand our carpet, the pine trees our wall hangings. It looked and smelled delicious. Each year deepened this place, Wainscott, in our souls. Everything mesmerized us. Even the Labor Day weekend, when exiting Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church in Bridgehampton, we discovered our rickety Renault dead. We had two more days in our treasured vacation and so we stuck pregnant Ann on the highway with her thumb out. The tradespersons and migrant farmers in a delightful gesture of noblesse oblige, picked us up and cheerily chauffeured us to our destinations.

As our family came along we dreamed of August all year long. We moved across the highway to the D'Andrea Motel. Mommy and Daddy slept on the bed in the kitchen and the four kids spread out in the other room. Most meals were taken at the big table in the back adjoining the grill. As night descended the kids played with the fireflies and nibbled on the marshmallows. The smell of charcoal and sunburn and late-day grass filled our nostrils.

We never missed going to the drive-in. Dinner accomplished, baths taken, Dr. Dentons donned, we would drive west through Bridgehampton to the Carvel across from the movie lot. We get a good spot in the lot and the kids negotiated for good places in the back of the station wagon. As it got darker the little ones gradually fall to slumber unless it was *The Night of the Living Dead*, when all would stay awake to scream in unison as bodies come out of the grave on screen, once again to inhabit the earth. Then home, quick to bed and quick to sleep for all of us.

We made new friends over the years at the D'Andrea. Each family arranged to return at the same time. The kids had a pack to run with and the adults, well, we had adult company to click our glasses with as the sun went down. We had an annual ritual. Another father, Tommy, and I would take the kids on an early morning hike to Sag Harbor. The ladies were granted an hour or so of peace and quiet. Later they would pick us up at the Paradise Diner. We ambled down the highway, made a right at Sagg Road and crossed the wooden bridge. The kids gamely soldiered on. It was a long trek for little legs and potbellied men. But we always made it, and the suffering was forgotten

as pancakes and bacon and eggs and rolls and jelly doughnuts and even a little ice cream was scarfed down. Forty years later my children, now spread all over the country, speak happily of the Paradise.

A year never passes that I don't go back, if only for a birthday pasta at Conca D'Oro, an ice cream at Candy Kitchen, or a visit to our friends at Townline Road and Daniel's Lane. And each spring I hop the Hampton Jitney at Hunter College, sit back and nibble on my muffin and look out the windows with my thoughts. I exit the bus at Wainscott and head south, varying my route to take in the homes I have loved for so long and that have given me so much pleasure. The quiet, peaceful, nourishing

feel of the walk is unchanged. I smell the soil and the potatoes and the corn struggling to be born. The birds and insects party. A rollicking collie says hello. The honeysuckle perfumes me. Finally, I get to the opening in the dune and stand there, take a deep breath, and for some reason I am overwhelmed with tears. There is sand and sea without end. Sometimes there would be no one in sight, no ships upon the horizon. I realize that an Indian probably stood here 500 years ago or 10,000 years or more, even to the beginning of time. This was infinity.

And if I am lucky and all the conditions are right; if the sea is mild and the sun is bouncing off the little waves like scaled pebbles, and the

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the booths—and we went down to Schiavoni's Market, went inside and bought a newspaper.

At BookHampton, we looked through some of the books for sale and I flipped through one at the counter called *Goofy Pet Photos*, which was kind of funny. I also asked if they had any copies of my books for sale, which they did, and I signed them, which bookstores always like since it helps sell them.

Arriving at Route 114, where it crosses the end of Main Street, I could see beyond the Chamber of Commerce windmill to the end of Long Wharf about a hundred yards further on, which would mark the halfway point of our walk. There were a few lights marking the jetty far off, otherwise the harbor was pitch black. We walked into the crosswalk through the traffic and stepped up the curb where there was a group of about 10 people standing quietly in the small space in front of the town windmill at the beginning of the wharf. One of them carried a sign. At the curb there was a sedan parked with the passenger door open and a woman sitting in the seat sideways, her legs on the pavement. She was typing on a laptop, which glowed green. Coordinating something? A reporter interviewing somebody? They were blocking our way.

It's Occupy the Hamptons, my wife whispered.

This startled me. We were just out for a walk. We stopped for a moment because they took up the whole space and we couldn't easily get by. As for them, they were happy to see us. Were we there to join them? A few looked up and smiled. I thought—this isn't something I want to even think about just now.

After some of them saw we were not going to

stay, a few stepped aside so we could continue on. Halfway out we stopped and turned. It's a beautiful thing to see the lights of this old whaling town glowing on the water in the dark of a late autumn afternoon. On the right is the little beach and bridge to North Haven, with the inlet beyond. To the left were some of the big yachts. The biggest and most magnificent of all was at rest almost the full length of the dock, but other than lights in a single loge, it was dark. Then we walked out to the end of the wharf, where we stopped, contemplated life, then started back.

We finished our walk, walking south on the opposite side of the street past the Japanese restaurant Sen and the American Hotel, where I suggested we go in for a hot cider (she declined) and the Capital One bank (where I suggested we go in to look at the crappy ATM in the lobby) but the bank was now closed, and so it was back to our car. The lights were going off in the stores now. I did look back a few times to see if Occupy was still there. They were.

But I don't see how this is going to change. Once you create a world economy, with goods moving easily every which way from country to country, you have workers in South America working for \$1 a day making things for export you'll have little likelihood that any factory workers can compete with these wages here.

Critics of Occupy Wall Street say—get a job, get a job. Indeed there are some to be had. But there are very few where you can make enough, in a world of million dollar homes, to live on.

Later that night, back at home, I went up for bed and took my shoes off in preparation for getting into my pajamas. As I did, as I always

do when I take off my shoes, it reminds me of the interesting story of their manufacture.

I wear white walking shoes made by New Balance, and I've been wearing the same model of them for many years, or have tried to. I find them very comfortable. They are made in Ecuador.

At a certain point, though, the management of New Balance made a decision to move all their manufacturing plants back to the United States.

Before the move, the shoes cost \$55. After the move, at first the price remained the same. But they were terribly made. They didn't fit right and sometimes when I'd try a pair on, because of poor manufacture, the store would have to take out another shoebox and mix and match until a good pair could be put together.

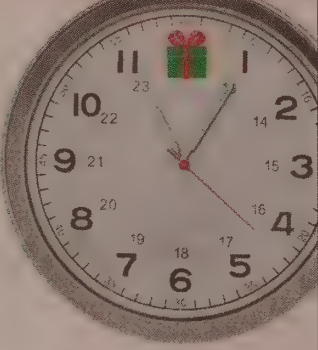
Thinking it through, I decided I'd just learn to live with this. This was happening at that time when Kathie Lee Gifford was found to be making her clothing line in Honduras, where the workers were paid a dollar a day. She didn't handle this fact well. I would support America no matter how much it hurt my feet.

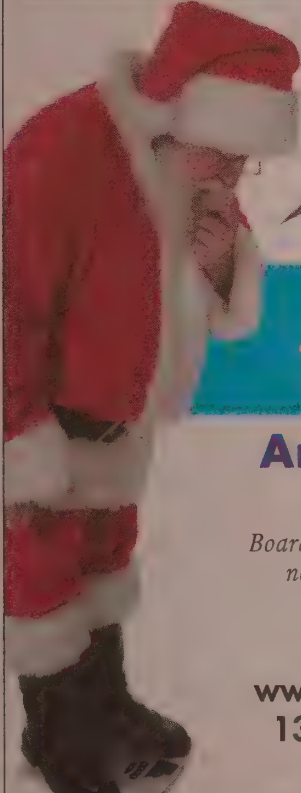
Ultimately, what happened was that New Balance kept its promise about making everything in America, but there was a cost to it. They came out with a new model, a model as good as those earlier shoes made in Ecuador, but at a price of almost twice as much. I found I'd pay that twice as much to get these really good shoes. But I did think others who used to wear New Balance found good shoes made in South America by other manufacturers at the

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MIXED RESULTS AND A FEW SQUEAKERS

By T.J. Clemente

The final absentee ballots have been counted and the end result is to be "more of the same" in the Towns of East Hampton and Southampton. With the Republicans still in control of both town boards with 3-2 pluralities, and with both town supervisors re-elected, there will be no new faces at the very top of either town.

There is no doubt that both towns are in better financial shape than they were two years ago when both Southampton and East Hampton were looking at red ink and charges of mismanagement. The results were noticed by the voters. What this last election revealed, however, is how small the margin to rule in both towns really is, with Incumbent Supervisor Bill Wilkinson holding on to power in East Hampton by only 15 votes on 6,791 votes cast.

The official results from the Suffolk County Board of Elections are Wilkinson receiving 3,403 votes and Democratic Party candidate Zachary Cohen receiving 3,388 votes. In Southampton Town, the race that could have tipped the balance of power to the Democrats, resulted in a Republican win, with newcomer Christine Scalera defeating Democratic newcomer Bradley Bender for a council seat by only 92 votes.

In both towns there were some easy victories with incumbent Southampton Supervisor Anna Throne-Holst winning with 63.63% of the vote. But the story in that race may be that former Republican Supervisor Linda Kabot receiving an official 36.37% of the vote as a write-in candidate, with 3,849 voters actually writing

in her name! The other Town Board seat in Southampton went to incumbent Bridget Fleming, who tallied the most votes for that office (6,263).

In East Hampton, now that the dust has settled and Supervisor Wilkinson remains in charge, appointed Town Budget Officer Len Bernard said, "It's time to continue the job the Supervisor started." However, the strong showing of both Town Board winners, Democrat Peter Van Scoyoc and Democrat Sylvia Overby (both receiving almost 1,000 votes more than any four of the others running for the East Hampton Town Board), rings a bell that the EH Democratic Party is back. No doubt Republican incumbents Theresa K. Quigley and Dominick

J. Stanzione took notice. The tidal wave that swept them into office two years ago is gone.

Time will tell if the Republican Board will change their management style now that it is obvious they no longer have a huge mandate, and that the town was not happy with all aspects of Republican rule these last two years.

In the East Hampton race for Superintendent of the Highways, Republican winner Stephen Lynch received 3,915 votes to incumbent Democrat Scott King 2,854. This went in opposition to the election night trend of surging Democratic strength, and had to do, perhaps, with perceived management styles. It seems King's long-dedicated service to the town of East Hampton has come to an end.

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Prefectural Museum of Art in Nagoya, Japan, including some borrowed from the Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center in Springs.

Dava Sobel has a new book out. *A More Perfect Heaven: How Copernicus Revolutionized the Cosmos*. Sobel will discuss the book at the East Hampton Library on December 3.

Baby Buggy, an organization created by East Hampton's **Jessica Seinfeld** to provide families in need will celebrate its 10th anniversary on December 5 with "A Night of Comedy with **Jerry Seinfeld & Friends**" at Lincoln Center. The fundraiser event will feature performances by **Jon Stewart** and **Colin Quinn**. Hamptons resident **George Stephanopoulos** will host. For tickets, visit www.lincolncenter.org.

A drawing of the Montauk Lighthouse by **Samuel Schneider**, a student in **Ms. Imperiale's** third grade art class at the Tuckahoe School in Southampton was selected to be hung in The Colors of Long Island exhibit at The Long Island Museum in Stony Brook through December 31.

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has come to lawsuits.

Rabbi Marc Schneier of the Hampton Synagogue in Westhampton Beach submitted an application for an eruv for that community in 2008 to the Westhampton Beach Village Board. Outside the home, Orthodox law says you cannot even push a baby carriage on the Sabbath. Members of the congregation who live far away need an eruv to get an exemption to take their families to services on that day. They need an eruv.

After much contentious debate in the community, which many considered anti-Semitic, the synagogue withdrew its application. Maybe there was some anti-Semitic sentiment on the part of a few, but there was a much

larger issue. In other communities on Long Island, such as in Woodmere and Lawrence, which for generations have been largely populated with Jews that do not adhere to Orthodox standards, the erection of an eruv became an invitation to Orthodox Jews to move into those towns in droves. Those communities practically close down on the Sabbath today. Social pressures were then aimed at those not following Orthodox law. This happened to one of my relatives and his family. Uncomfortable at being scorned, they sold their home, as others had before them, and moved away. These towns and others comprising the "Five Towns," as they are known, are largely Orthodox today.

In 2010, the application for the eruv was

renewed by a group called the East End Eruv Association, and the boundaries for the eruv were increased to include the adjacent community of Quogue. When both communities again said no, a lawsuit was filed against the villages asking, among other things, that the court order the ruling summarily thrown out. Now that has been denied, so the case goes on. And there is still no eruv.

Something needs to be said about the judge's admonishment about the codes not addressing the issue of eruvs. The codebooks of the villages are hundreds of pages long. But they don't include everything.

The other day, I drove down Main Street in Westhampton Beach and saw a pair of worn sneakers, their laces tied together, hanging from a telephone wire over the road, clearly having been triumphantly thrown up there by some kids, probably late at night.

This may not be a comparable example—it doesn't involve freedom or religion (I think)—but there's no law specifically written against sneakers up there either.

Please don't eat the daisies.

Sag (continued from previous page)

lower price.

I think America is going to have a choice. We can have the rich living behind walls with the great 99% living in desperate circumstances outside, or we can create a social state where the government provides a safety net by taking the wealthy and distributing some of the riches of this country to those who are trapped in this new and terrible situation.

People point to European countries for having set up these "socialist" states. And yet, in Europe, you see people living in happy circumstances, well dressed with enough to eat and not terribly concerned about their situation. They may have fewer opportunities for advancement though because the government sees to the redistribution of corporate money to the less fortunate and businesses are not as competitive. That is the trade off.

These are our children, now very publicly occupying America. As things stand now, they do not have prospects. Many are unemployed, even homeless. It is very sad. What future do we want for them?

Wainscott (continued from page 15)

smell of beached seashells reaches me, I may have an apparition: I may see a young woman sitting in a beach chair watching two little girls digging in the sand. A third flirts with the water as it comes on shore. A young man sits by, watching a boy race a sandpiper down the beach. On his lap, a worn, open copy of Loren Eiseley's *The Immense Journey*.

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Who's Here

By Susan Saiter

East End author Sheila Kohler loves doing public readings from her books. She admits that an author is always taking a chance in making an appearance after all the promotions. "They can be scary because one never knows if one will have an audience," she said in a recent interview. "The funniest story I heard happened to a famous writer who had two people in the audience, and when he went to shake their hands, one of them, it turned out, was dead."

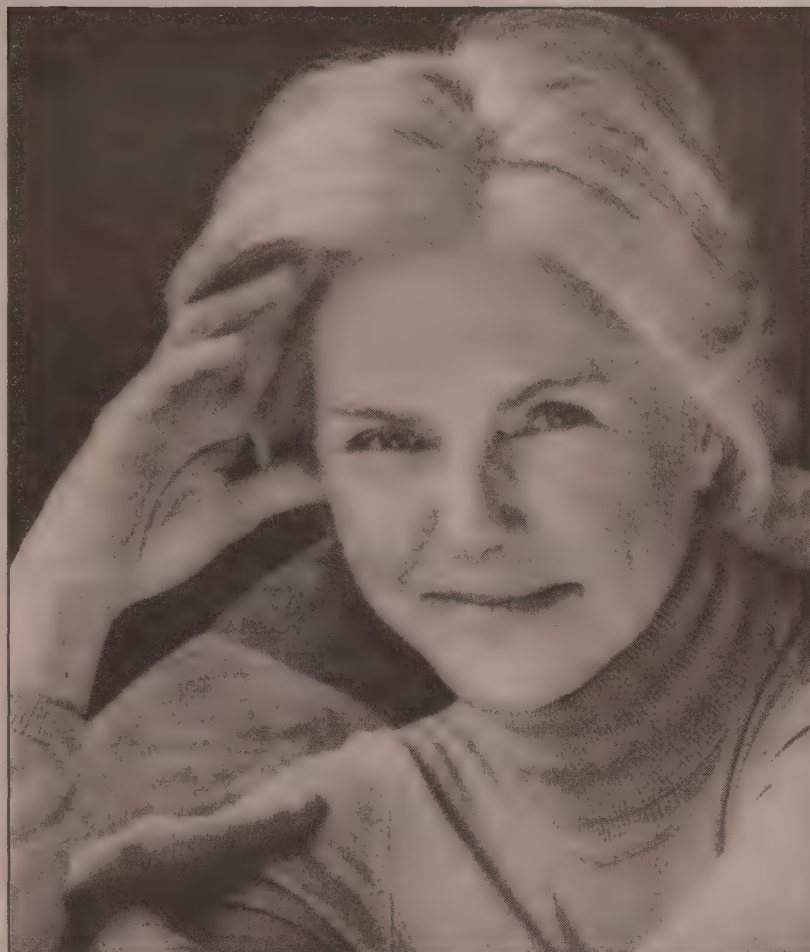
It's hard to imagine this happening to Kohler—her author readings tend to be packed with fans, students, and her many writer friends. It is only hard to imagine how she gets it all done, given her writing and teaching careers. She got her M.F.A. in writing at Columbia University after raising three daughters, published a first novel (*The Perfect Place*, Knopf, 1989), went on to produce a dozen books, developing a circle of admirers, and has maintained a busy teaching career at top colleges and universities, including Bennington College and Princeton University.

At a reading of her latest book, *Love Child*, at BookHampton in East Hampton, Kohler offered some insight into how this novel came to her. "When my mother died, she was a very wealthy woman, having been left a fortune by my father. But she did not leave her fortune to her only daughter."

Those gathered for the reading wondered why. Friend and fellow writer, Edmund White, asked half-joking, if perhaps her mother didn't leave her the money because she was jealous of her daughter's beauty.

Of course, novelists find ideas for their books in their own lives, often turning a perplexing, even haunting memory into a story that can end up bearing a great deal of, or only some, resemblance to the actual event. Of her own situation, Kohler responded to White that she didn't believe there was any kind of maternal jealousy going on, just, well, who knew for sure?

Kohler explained how the novel took shape in her mind. All her life, she said, "I took this for granted, but people seemed very surprised and shocked when I told them. I had always said I didn't really know why my mother did this. 'Who got the money?' people would ask. My answer is that the novel was a way for me to find out, and though it is fiction, there is a lot of my mother's life in it. By the time I had ended the book, I felt a great deal more love and sympathy for my mother, whose life was difficult and who had made brave and loving choices, at least in my imagination."



Sheila Kohler Author

*"I love being out here —
the quiet and the sea."*

The book, her ninth novel, is set in South Africa, where Kohler grew up, and takes place in the 1950s with alternating chapters set in the 1920s. In it, an unmarried teenager is forced to give up her first child, a girl. Then, after marrying a wealthy man and raising more children, she sets out on a quest to find the child she gave away. A critic for *The Historical Novels Review* wrote, "With a spare, beautiful prose full of unexpected turns of phrase and psychological acumen, step by heartbreaking step, Sheila Kohler discloses the transformation of a love-struck young girl 'with so much hope, so many expectations,' into a latter-day, middle-aged South African Scarlett O'Hara whose aspirations to leave poverty behind and to help her family exact a tremendous price from her. A beautifully written novel with an unforgettable protagonist."

Another of her novels set in South Africa,

Cracks, published in 1999, was made into a movie in 2009 starring Eva Green. Both the novel and the film are sublimely beautiful as well as disturbing. *Cracks* concerns a school coach abusing power, a topic that certainly continues to make news—one only has to look at the recent Penn State scandal—and the end result is disaster. In the film, the location is changed to England, and the ending is different, but Kohler especially praises the director, Jordan Scott, daughter of Ridley Scott, for capturing the theme. She adds, "The acting was terrific—all the young girls are excellent, particularly the girl who plays Fiamma," a pivotal character.

Other lives inspire Kohler's writing in her historical novels. In *Becoming Jane Eyre*, published in 2009, she draws from extensive research and visits to the north of England to imagine scenes from the lives of the famous Bronte sisters. Fans of Charlotte, Emily and Anne have attended Kohler's many reading appearances to soak up more and more of these sisters, who lived a secluded life with a drunkard brother and a parent who died too young. In *Bluebird, or the Invention of Happiness*, readers relive, along with Kohler, events leading up to the French Revolution and what court life for a lady-in-waiting to Marie Antoinette might have been like. The protagonist is drawn after the real-life Henriette Lucy Dillon, a young woman who, like many of Kohler's other leading characters, is an incredibly strong and brave woman struggling through an era when men ruled.

Kohler lives in New York, but spends much of her time in her home in Amagansett. "It's a lovely place to work," she says. "My bedroom has a big table and opens onto the garden and the sound of water running in

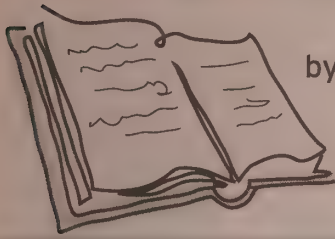
the pool. I love being out here—the quiet and the sea. I have frequent writer friends visit as well. A.M. Homes has a house on the East End, and Amy Hempel has often come to stay with us in the summer. Kaylie Jones is on the East End, I discovered, when she asked me for a story for her *Long Island Noir* book."

Her husband, psychiatrist Bill Tucker, is one of her biggest fans. Sure to be in the audience at her appearances, he is also a great editor and reader of her works-in-progress. A daughter, Sasha Troyen, has published two novels, and writes when she's not teaching.

Whether they're pursuing a degree or just want to pick up some insights into what might make their own manuscripts publishable, writers can find seminars and classes all over the map where Kohler discusses the elements of fiction

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BY THE BOOK



by Joan Baum

You probably don't know the subtitle of Harriet Beecher Stowe's *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Who does, except maybe scholars such as historian David S. Reynolds, whose *Mightier Than the Sword* (Norton) explores in readable prose the contemporaneity of this iconic novel written by a daughter born 200 years ago to Lyman Beecher, who served for a decade as minister of the First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton. Together, title and subtitle—*Uncle Tom's Cabin and the Battle for America*—lay out Reynolds's theme that Stowe's tale, if it didn't ignite the Civil War, certainly came close, by proving the adage that the "pen is mightier than the sword" (incidentally, Bulwer Lytton is the author of this one, he of "it was a dark and stormy night. . ."). Reynolds also shows how the book addresses not only Stowe's ardent advocacy of abolition, winning Christianity to the cause—not easy in either the North or South—but how it "highlights" her concern for all "marginalized" people, white and black, especially women, and how it affected later emancipation movements in Russia, China, Brazil and Cuba. "No book in American history molded public opinion more powerfully than

Uncle Tom's Cabin."

While it was John Brown's violent raid on Harpers Ferry that was the "immediate catalyst" for the Civil War, it was Stowe's model of "firm, principled nonresistance" that provided the "cultural kindling," a spark that would become "the prototype for the modern civil rights movement." UTC ran in weekly installments from June 1851 to March 1852 and was then issued as a volume. What distinguishes Reynolds' approach to UTC is his acknowledgment of its critics, black and white, including James Baldwin, who called UTC a "very bad book," and Reynolds' meticulous review of its fascinating theatrical and cinematic history, versions that kept the book in the public eye but largely distorted and oversimplified its theme.

Reynolds, who teaches at The Graduate School and University Center of The City University of New York, and who has a home in Sagaponack, suggests that if UTC were read widely today, it would be seen that Uncle Tom is no Uncle Tom. "He was too muscular, compassionate and courageous" for that, particularly as he stands up to whites, Reynolds says. How ironic, as his research reveals, that the first person to use "Uncle Tom" disparagingly was Frederick Douglass, answering critics who had said that Northern blacks would not have fought in the Civil War.

Still, UTC remains ignored and branded old-fashioned by those whose parents and grandparents read it. Typically it does not



Harriet Beecher Stowe

appear on reading lists except those that focus on 19th century American literature or courses in film history where it is usually mentioned as the provocative inspiration for W.D. Griffith's *Birth of a Nation*. UTC is, Reynolds concedes, "a long novel." But his larger point is that some "attitudes die hard." At a recent lecture in Virginia, he learned from audience members that while UTC is not banned from curricula, it is generally avoided. His response? Read it, "the time has come." Its publication and stage enactments have

much to say about the nation's cultural history. Feminists, he points out, have embraced UTC, appreciative of the way Stowe cloaked its subversive message in "conventional wrapping," scenes of family love and domesticity.

UTC was "central" in redefining American democracy "on a more egalitarian basis," but did it move the nation to transformative and sustaining change? The narrative, Reynolds argues, gives evidence for both faith and despair. UTC gave nuance to the abolition movement, reflecting Stowe's growing support for it and her fierce opposition to the Fugitive Slave Law, espoused by, among others, Henry Clay and Daniel Webster. Reynolds' own book, however, aside from inviting a (re)reading of UTC may well prompt a more urgent consideration—a hard look at the way different historical periods prompt a reconstitution of ethnic stereotyping—a subject as timely as it is significant.

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By Dan Rattiner

Week of December 1-6, 2011

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DOWN IN THE TUBE

The new Georgica station, which has only been used by three different subway riders since it opened last month, was host to a bevy of celebrities last Saturday. Climbing on board late that night were Martha Stewart, Jon Bon Jovi, Christie Brinkley and her daughters Alexa Ray and Sailor, John McEnroe, Lorraine Bracco, Jeff Zucker, Jay McInerney, Blythe Danner, Julian Schnabel, Candice Bergen and Allen Grubman. They were all going to a late dinner at the Grubman manse after seeing a sneak preview of Spielberg's latest movie *War of the Worlds* at Goose Creek in Wainscott.

OLD SUBWAY TRAINS FOUND

Maintenance workers cleaning a tunnel between Amagansett and Napeague have found an entire warehouse filled with old subway trains from the time when Ivan Kratz first built the system in 1932. How anybody could have missed seeing them up until this point is not comprehensible. A single railroad

spur leaves the main line and goes along the floor under a giant garage door, which though not locked, had been closed.

Kratz, the larger-than-life builder of the Hampton Subway system, created Hampton Subway in 1932 in order to hide building material he had left over after building part of the Lexington Line in Manhattan that year. He had double ordered everything. He was trying not to get caught. The subway system, never opened by Kratz, remained unknown and underground until 2007, when workmen in Sag Harbor excavating a superfund site near the post office there, dug down and discovered the roof of the Sag Harbor platform. The system was opened the following year.

The subway cars found, 17 in all, were all old and worn in 1932. Kratz must have bought them used. Iron plaques on them say they were built in 1917 by the Dayton, Cleveland and Foundry Manufacturing Company in Cincinnati, Ohio. All operate with steel cranks that have to be stuck in the front grille and hand turned by the motorman to get the engines to start. Sixteen of the cars would not start, but the last turned right over with a great throaty roar when cranked. We have now put that car into our regular system for our

straphangers to enjoy for the next month, not only for its joyful accouterments—gas lamps, horsehair stuffed seats and copper poles—but also to give this brave car a workout. As all antique car owners know, antique cars want to be driven. It keeps them healthy.

Straphangers will not know which train is being pulled by the ancient car until they see it. There are six trains on the circuit at any one time so five will be the regular trains. One thing straphangers will experience is a small inconvenience. The trains in service only go as fast as the slowest train. Our usual top speed between stations is 32 miles an hour. The Dayton, Cleveland and Foundry car tops out only at 11 miles an hour. Just bear with it for this month. It will take longer for you to get where you are going.

COMMISSIONER ASPINALL'S
MESSAGE

I have competed negotiations with the New York City Subway Track Junk Museum, which will open next month next to the Guggenheim on Fifth Avenue, to take possession of the 16 antique subway cars that have now been “found” in that giant storeroom. Until funding is made available for the cars to be moved to Manhattan, the cars will be on view where they are on alternate Thursdays between 2 and 5 a.m. when the system shuts down for maintenance by having a regular subway train head out to Napeague and show straphangers what we’ve got. The cost will be \$20 and the tour will last one hour. Call our Hampton Bays office to make reservations. Bring a flashlight.

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TWENTY SOMETHING

by David Lion Rattiner

I don't think there is a single person on Long Island who hasn't listened to David Bouchier read one of his essays over the airwaves with that incredible British accent. His essays discuss things as simple as talking about the change of seasons to those as complex as going to the mall.

The eloquent Mr. Bouchier was in Sag Harbor on Friday at Canio's Books, and as a writer I'm feeling particularly inspired by his presence.

So what exactly is a book reading at Canio's Books in Sag Harbor? Why do we as acrimonious beings in this society of antipathy and dissemblance partake in this seemingly ancient tradition of sitting before a person and

listening to them read words from a book they have transcribed, on perhaps a fresh piece of parchment, something as simple as a haiku poem from an ebullient napkin. The word, the spoken word from the lips of men, is as ancient as dither from the sun into the shadows of the world.

Do other animals partake in such an activity? Perhaps a wild group of Tasmanian Devils off the efferent coast of the Zimbabwean jungles get together in secret to listen to one prominent devil read about his forays into the forest to find food, or perhaps, better yet, his forays of finding a lover. Or do dolphins, considerably the most grandiloquence of intelligent creatures, listen to an author speak inside the great library that is the florid ocean, an ocean of clicks and squeaks and poetry? Will one day the great explorers of the deep, implacable ocean discover a pair of sea horses frolicking about, reading an impudent story from an essay about the inimical existence of life underwater? Perhaps our intransigent consciousness cannot even process these great lyricists that our animal relatives speak to each other while reading from books bound to a language that only they understand, or may I make a joke,

that the Chinese only understand.

Perhaps not.

But what I will say about the languid world of book reading at the local bookstore inside of our American society is that it is very much the society juxtaposed against a canvas of intellect and a gritty spirit, for which we all must be thankful. If it wasn't for this society of readers, those who thirst for knowledge and have a strong desire of mawkish parsimony that brings them on a quest through a river of words, rhymes and ideas, stirring their minds into a soup of pathos that only the great Greek Gods of Zeus and Athena could possibly dream of understanding, are we able to truly enjoy the small town pleasure, truly, the simple pleasure, of attending and participating in a book reading.

The great minds of Thomas Edison, Walt Whitman, Abraham Lincoln, Albert Einstein and Lady Gaga have all proscribed for mankind a need to share knowledge. And it is very much that simple pleasure of sharing, a pugnacious sharing indeed, a sharing of rectitude combined with a rancor that is very bitter, but always inexplicably sweet.

This is David Rattiner....

Who's (continued from page 19)

(the biggies being conflict and scene). Currently she is teaching at Princeton University, where she has the support of writers like Joyce Carol Oates and White. Oates and White, along with J.M. Coetzee, also of South Africa, are among her inspirations.

Her advice to anyone seeking fame and fortune: Don't become a writer—it's too hard

and the money isn't there. "Unless one is driven by a strong desire, then it is the only way to go. That's how it has been for me—I can't imagine doing anything else, and I have been very fortunate to be able to spend long hours engrossed in what I am doing, being taken out of the humdrum of life into another place. There are heartbreaks continuously in

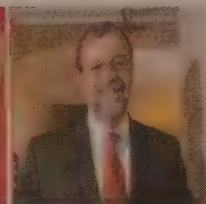
this profession," she said, adding, "as there are in most, I suppose."

And a great deal of satisfaction, especially when a writer has had as much success as Kohler. The favorite of her books, she says, "is always the one I'm working on."

That would be *The Bay of Foxes*, which comes out in June.

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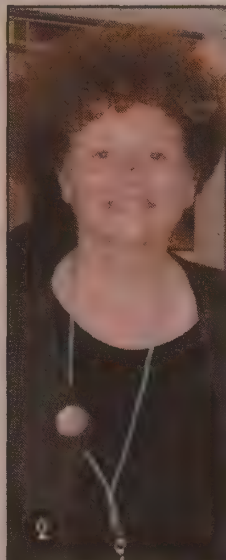


FOURTH ANNUAL TAKE TWO FILM FESTIVAL

Photos: Kimberly Goff

The Take Two Documentary Film Festival was held at Guild Hall with a pre-view benefit honoring the work of the late Richard Leacock. The festival was founded and produced by Jacqui LoFaro, also included some student films, panel discussions and a preview benefit.

1. Dr. Wally Smith
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L'Oreal Paris spokesperson Julianna Margulies hosted the event at the American Museum of Natural History. Kelly Ripa was honored with the OCRF Legends Award. Michael L. Gordon, Founder and CEO of Angelo, Gordon & Co. and OCRF Benefactor Sally Gordon were honored with the Liz Tilberis Humanitarian Award.

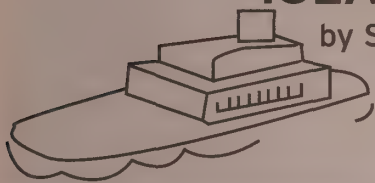


1. Kerry Washington (L'Oreal Paris spokesperson) Taraji P. Henson
2. Kelly Rutherford
3. Julianna Margulies (Host)
4. Andie MacDowell (L'Oreal Paris spokesperson), S. Qualley

NORTH FORK

THE SHELTERED ISLANDER

by Sally Flynn



Dear God,

As the holidays are upon us, I realize I have much to thank you for. Grandchildren are supposed to be a blessing and although they throw your "cool" factor right out the window, they teach us many things. I refer specifically to the grandchild you sent me three years ago. A lovely little girl, who is obviously influenced by one or more demons.

Thank you for her strawberry curls, cornflower blue eyes, and cherubic face, it has reminded me just how deceiving looks can be. Please do not make me do time in purgatory for when she drew all over the aforementioned cherubic face with permanent blue

marker. I was on the phone at the time and didn't know she had figured out the drawer locks. I can't figure out the drawer locks.

Thank you for using her to teach how kind men can truly be. In particular the ferry man who looked into my car window, saw a child with a half blue face, probably assumed she was an extra for *Braveheart Two*, and accepted the ferry ticket with flowers drawn on it and waited until he was three cars back to start laughing at me.

Thank you for granting her the gift of artistry that runs in our family. Like my mother, my Uncle Bill, my brother, and my daughter, she lives to express herself with color. I now understand how the petroglyphs in France came to be. As I regard my Crayola covered walls, I imagine that in pre-historic France some grandmother watched a grandchild destroying her freshly carved cave walls with other drawings, shrugged her shoulders and said, "If he starts painting in the dining hall, we're eating him."

Thank you for using her to teach me how fleeting the joy of the holidays can be, as she removes in seconds, decorations that took hours to put up.

Thank you for using her to remind me to remove the locks from the inside of the bathroom doors. And how to stave off panic when I hear the toilet being flushed over and over on the other side of the

locked door, followed by the music of her hysterical laughter.

Thank you for the little fenced playground by the school where she can run out her endless energy without running into the road and scaring people. Thank you for the company of the other grandmothers who sit on the bench and together we smile at the children as we curse under our breath. Thank you especially for the grandmother I met who was watching three of her seven grandchildren that day and shared her strawberry daiquiri mix with me and the other grandmother there. We took a slug from the Cinderella thermos and passed it down. It seemed a bit early in the day, but as she pointed out, it's 10 a.m. somewhere.

I admit that before she was born, I was really having trouble with empty nest syndrome. Thank you for teaching me that the cure is often worse than the disease. And I know that it is said that God doesn't send us more than we can handle, but I'd like to remind you that there are exceptions to every rule. And I'd also like help finding the rest of my great-grandmother's pearls so I can reassemble my only real pearl necklace, broken by either a small curly-haired liar or the Invisible Man.

To close on a positive note, I do love her, which further confirms that love makes us mentally ill.

North Fork Events

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UPCOMING

WINTER STRING SERIES - 12/10, 1-4 p.m., Sparkling Pointe Tasting House, 39750 County Rd. 48, Southold, 631-765-0200. The vineyard and tasting house will present its first "Winter String Series." Enjoy the music of local artists while sipping sparkling wine!

LENZ HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE - 12/10, 5-7 p.m. 38355 Main Rd., Peconic. 631-734-6010, www.lenzwine.com.

THURSDAY, 1

CLASSIC CAR SHOW - 5:30 p.m. every Thursday. Peconic River, Riverhead. Classic cars, food and music. Free.

OPEN MIC NIGHT - 6-9 p.m., Peconic Bay Winery, 31320 Main Rd., Cutchogue. www.peconicbaywinery.com. 631-734-7361. Free.

FRIDAY, 2

FIRESIDE FRIDAYS - 4-7 p.m., Live music and glass specials. Sherwood House Vineyards, 1291 Main Rd. Jamesport. www.sherwoodhousevineyard.com, 631-779-2817.

ART GUILD RECEPTION - 5-8 p.m., Sparkling Pointe Winery Tasting House, 39750 County Road 48, Southold, 631-765-0200. Reception for an exhibit that can be seen through December 4 called "Impressions of a Vineyard," paintings by members of the North Fork Art Guild. All art is available for purchase.

HOLIDAY GIFT MARKET OPENING RECEPTION AND FIRST FRIDAY ARTIST TALK WITH ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE ROSAMARIA EISLER - 5-8 p.m.; talk 6 p.m. East End Arts Council, 133 East Main St., Riverhead. The Holiday Gift Market Deck the Halls 2011 opened on 11/29 and will run through 12/23, Tuesdays through Fridays 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sundays noon - 4 p.m. 631-727-0900, www.eastendarts.org.

LIVE MUSIC - 5:30-8:30 p.m., live music, Peconic Bay Winery, 31320 Main Rd., Cutchogue. www.peconicbaywinery.com, 631-734-7361. Free.

SATURDAY, 3

SANTA AT APPLEBEE'S - 8:30 a.m. Riverhead Applebee's, benefits Toys for Tots. www.applebees.com. \$10.

SPARKLING WINE SALON - noon-1 p.m., Sparkling Pointe Tasting House, 39750 County Rd. 48, Southold, 631-765-0200. Each Saturday through December 24, a wine educator will introduce you to a Sparkling Pointe Methode Champenoise. Reservations Required. Seats are

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LIVE MUSIC - 1-5 p.m., Bedell Cellars, Bryce Larsen, former "American Idol" contestant, 36225 Main Road, Cutchogue. 631-734-7537

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LIVE MUSIC - 1-5 p.m., Sparkling Pointe Vineyards, 39750 County Rd. 48, Southold. 631-765-0200, www.sparklingpointe.com. Free.

SPARKLING AND CAKE - 2-5 p.m. Sherwood House Vineyards, Jamesport. Details 631-779-2817.

LIVE MUSIC - 2-5 p.m., Martha Clara Vineyard, East End Trio. 6025 Sound Ave., Riverhead. 631-298-0075, www.marthaclaravineyards.com. Free admission.

SHERWOOD HOUSE MUSIC - 2-6 p.m. Sherwood House Vineyard, 1291 Main Road, Jamesport. www.sherwoodhousevineyards.com. Free.

SATURDAY STARGAZING - 7 p.m.-midnight (every Saturday night, weather permitting, call first). Custer Institute & Observatory, 1115 Main Bayview Rd., Southold, Bayview Dr., Southold. \$5 adults, \$3 children under 14. Free for members. 631-765-2626.

JAZZ SAXOPHONIST JEFF KASHIWA - 8-10 p.m. Raphael Winery, Main Rd., Peconic. 631-765-1100 ext. 105. \$40/members \$32.

SUNDAY, 4

LIVE PIANO - during brunch 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Giorgio's, 100 Fox Hill Dr., Baiting Hollow. \$26.95, children 3-12 \$16.95. 631-727-6076, www.giorgiosli.com.

RIVERHEAD LIONS CHRISTMAS PARADE - 12:30 p.m. Osborne Ave. and Main St., Riverhead.

FREE TOUR SUNDAYS - 1-2 p.m., Sparkling Pointe Tasting House, 39750 County Rd. 48, Southold, 631-765-0200. Learn the secrets of Methode Champenoise and Sparkling Wines as your tour guide brings you throughout the cellar of the winery and (weather permitting) to parts of the vineyard! Reservations Required.

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A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM - 3:30-6:30 p.m., Living Water Full Gospel Church, 24 Shade Tree Lane, Riverhead, a 60-minute interactive experience of Bethlehem and the Christmas Story. Visit Santa in North Pole Living Room and have a FREE picture taken. This is a free event for the entire family. For more information call 722-4969 or visit www.lwfgc.org.

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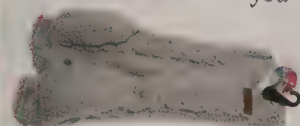
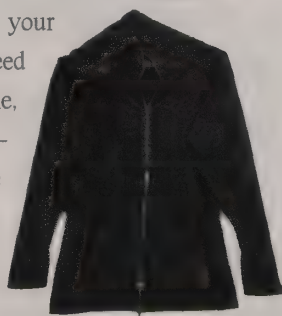
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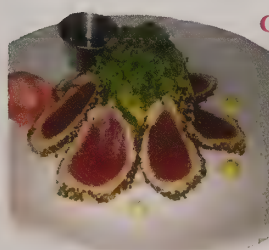
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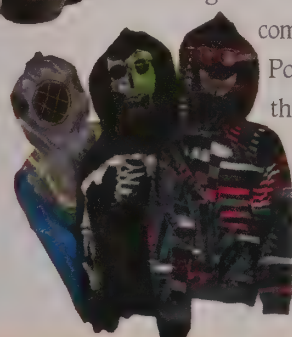
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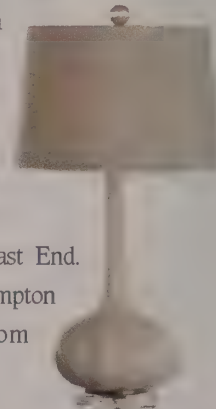
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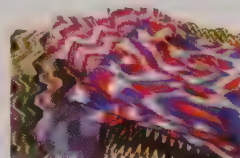
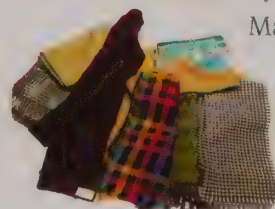


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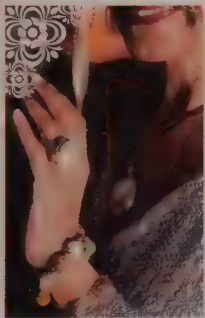
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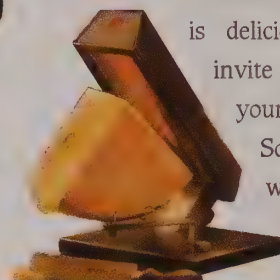
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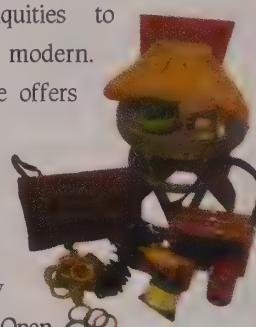


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Lynn Stoller, 7 Moniebogue Lane, Westhampton Beach, invites you to discover its well-curated luxury consignment boutique, featuring authentic couture Chanel, Gucci, Fendi, Hermes and Louis Vuitton clothing, accessories and jewelry. Everything is sitting pretty and waiting for you to choose the perfect elegant vintage holiday gift for that very special person in your life. 631-998-0666.

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At the **L'Atelier 5 Studio**, 1391 North Sea Road, Southampton, there is now an Artist's Gift Boutique, offering weekend workshops for handmade holiday gifts, evening craft gatherings and a Holiday Art Camp (December 27 to 29). 631-259-3898, www.latelier5wordpress.com for information and time schedules.

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Printhampton, 59 Maple Street, Southampton, has it all going on with their Hampton Scenes Holiday Cards. You can choose from their gallery of over 50 photos, or even design your own with home landscape scenes, family, friends, kids and pets, artwork, children's drawings and more, just e-mail them your own photos, and it's done! For more information and deadlines, call 631-283-9572 or log onto www.printhampton.com.

For something special, and I do mean special, at **Black Swan Antiques**, 2450 Main Street, Bridgehampton, owner/artist Randy Kolhoff's unique and skillfully carved wooden whale sculptures "There She Blows" will be on display and for purchase just



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in time for the holidays. The opening reception is December 3, 6 - 9 pm. There are over 20 pieces created with carefully chosen driftwood, carved and painted with a finely-detailed finished work, giving the whale its distinct look and the feel of a textured piece of American Folk Art, an amazing treat for all of us. 631-377-3012.

In time for the holidays, **Haute Mer Home**, a home-based service company located in Sag Harbor, has opened its doors online showcasing socially responsible home and yacht décor. Along with offering fresh, creative designs the company provides holistic, residential concierge solutions. The company offers handmade dinnerware, blankets, shams and home accessories made in the U.S. or acquired through Fair Trade Organizations. For more information call Kathie Mullin, Owner, 954-240-7832. The website is www.hautemerhome.com.

On The North Fork: **Greenport Art & Design**, 117 Main Street, Greenport, is a special paint-your-own pottery studio, boutique and gallery. Adults and Children are welcome to paint, shop, and enjoy the ever-changing array of local art. Greenport Art & Design also offers custom handmade pottery - ideal gifts for teachers, friends and family! For information call 631-477-2380 or visit www.greenportartanddesign.com.

The White Weathered Barn, 213 East Front Street, is a little lifestyle store located in the heart of Greenport, featuring a collection of fine art,

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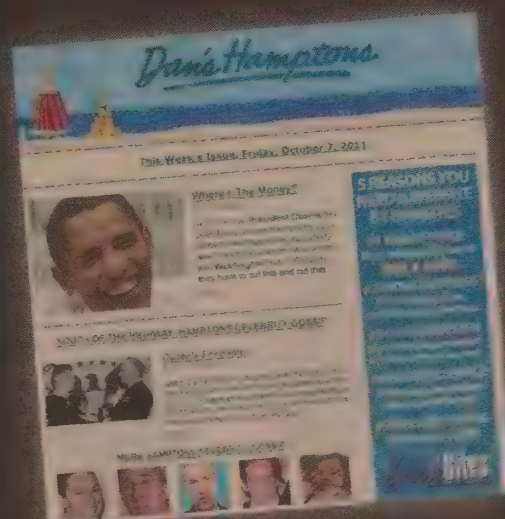
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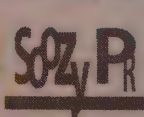
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UPCOMING

WINDMILL LIGHTING - 12/9, 5-7 p.m. Stony Brook Southampton Campus, SH. Free.

THE HAMPTON BALLET THEATRE SCHOOL (HBTS) NUTCRACKER - 12/9 7 p.m., 12/10 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., 12/11 at 2 p.m., Guild Hall, 158 Main St., EH. \$20 /\$15 children under 12. Orchestra, box seats and group rates available. 631-237-4810.

GOAT ON A BOAT - THE MYSTERY OF ICE MOUNTAIN - 12/10 11 a.m. & 3 p.m. \$10 for everyone, \$9 for members and grandparents, \$5 for children under three. Goat on a Boat Theatre, 4 East Hampton St., SGH. 631-725-4193, www.goatonaboat.org.

FULL MOON NIGHT HIKE - 12/10, 4:30 p.m. Celebrate the beginning of the winter season with a nighttime hike through the forest up to North Pond as we look and listen for nocturnal creatures and enjoy some night vision activities under the light of the moon. The walk will last approximately 1 1/2 hours. Reservations required. For adults and families with children over 11. \$5/members free. 3 Old Country Rd., Quogue. A free program for adults and families. Reservations required 631-653-4771.

ANNIE - 12/10 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m., 12/11 2 p.m. Bay Street Theatre, Long Wharf, SGH. 631-725-9500, www.baystreet.org. \$15.

JCOH ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR - 12/11 & 12/18, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. books and gifts for all ages. 44 Woods Ln., EH. 631-324-9858. www.jcoh.org.

EAST HAMPTON DAY CARE LEARNING CENTER'S 5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY - 12/11, 6 - 8 p.m., The Palm Restaurant at The Hunting Inn, 94 Main St., EH. Silent Auction and Raffle \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. 631-324-5560, www.easthamptondaycare.org.

CHOREOGRAPHING WHAT YOU CARE ABOUT, A MINI WORKSHOP - 12/18, noon - 4p.m. for girls 8-18, Kate Mueth and the Neo-Political Cowgirls Dance Theatre Company, Hampton Ballet Theatre School, 213 Butter Ln., Studio J, BH. No dance experience necessary. 631-329-7130. Pre-registration is required. \$50

WINTER NATURE HIKE - 12/29, 10 a.m. guided hike up to North Pond, through Pine Barrens. 3 Old Country Rd., Quogue. A free program for adults and families. Reservations required 631-653-4771.

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Until next week. Ciao and happy holiday shopping!

If you have any questions or your shop is having sales, new inventory, re-opening, or a brand new business, my readers want to hear about it. E-mail me at: Shoptil@danspapers.com or NewKids@danspapers.com, I will be happy to get the word out!

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THURSDAY, 1

SLAM POETRY - MAYHEM POETS - 10 A.M. & 12:30 P.M., Also 12/2. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main St., WHB. 631-288-1500, www.whbpac.org. \$10.

FRIDAY, 2

GOAT ON A BOAT TOT ART - 10:30 a.m., 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org.

SATURDAY, 3

SAG HARBOR FARMERS MARKET - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Bay Burger, 1742 Bridgehampton- Sag Harbor Turnpike, SGH.

EAST HAMPTON SANTA PARADE - 9:30 a.m. Main St., EH.

ST. NICK'S FAIR - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Christ Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 4 East Union St., SGH. Something for everyone! 631-725-0128.

QUOGUE WILDLIFE REFUGE HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE - 11 a.m.-1 p.m. All are invited to the Refuge for a Holiday Tree Trimming party, story-time, hot chocolate, light refreshments, and live holiday music, by a toasty fire. A free event for adults and families, although donations will be gratefully accepted. Reservations preferred. All are also invited to bring along a favorite holiday treat to share. 3 Old Country Rd., Quogue. 631-653-4771.

GOAT ON A BOAT - THE SNOWFLAKE MAN - 11 a.m. & 3 p.m. \$10 for everyone, \$9 for members and grandparents, \$5 for children under three. Goat on a Boat Theatre, 4 East Hampton St., SGH. 631-725-4193, www.goatonaboat.org.

SANTA AT THE WINDMILL - 2-4 p.m. Long Wharf, SGH. www.sagharborchamber.com. Free.

STUDENTS VIEW AMERICAN PORTRAITS: OPENING RECEPTION - 3-5 p.m. Parrish Art Museum, 25 Job's Ln., SH. 631-283-2118, www.parrishart.org. Free.

SANTA AT HAMPTON LIBRARY - 3-5 p.m. cider, music, tree lighting. 2478 Montauk Hwy., BH. Sponsored by the Lions Club. www.hamptonlibrary.org. Free.

LONG WHARF LIGHT-UP - 4:30 p.m. Long Wharf, SGH. www.sagharborchamber.com. Free.

SUNDAY, 4

SHARK DIVE - 11 a.m., ages 12 and up (12-17 must be accompanied by a parent). Long Island Aquarium and Exhibition Center, 431 East Main St., RVHD. The Aquarium puts you into a cage in the middle of more than 10 circling sharks! No diving certification necessary. 631-208-9200, www.longislandaquarium.com. \$155/nonmembers, \$140/members (includes aquarium admission). Daily.

MONDAY, 5

GOAT ON A BOAT PLAY GROUP - 9:30 a.m., 4 E. Union St., SGH. 631-725-4193. www.goatonaboat.org. Also Friday.

THURSDAY, 8

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FRIDAY, 9

SOUTHAMPTON LIGHTING OF THE WINDMILL - 5-7 p.m. Stony Brook Southampton, SH. Treats for all ages. Free.

HAYGROUND FORUM BREAD & POETRY - 6 p.m. all-ages reading, The Hayground School, 151 Mitchell Ln., BH.

631-537-7068 x113, www.hayground.org.
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EAST END KID

by Emily Hart Post



Crossing The Pond

Now I am going to tell you a story about going to London, that maybe is going to be exciting like getting a dog, or it is going to be so boring that you completely fall asleep like me at a Justin Beiber concert. I am going to tell you how I nearly died, well not exactly because then I would not be writing this story. What was the worst part of my trip and the best parts of trip? The best part of my trip was going to Winter Wonderland with one of my good friends Lucy. She used to be my partner in Tae Kwon Do. The only thing bad about going to the Wonderland was that the tokens were too much money, but other than that it was a lot of fun. I went to the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, which is beautiful and they wear great outfits - something mom explained as "pomp and circumstance."

I visited the Tower of London, which was created a thousand years ago. We went to Westminster Abbey, where kings and queens are buried as was Sir Isaac Newton.

We saw two shows about the same magical place Oz, *Wicked* and *The Wizard of Oz*. I liked *Wicked* more.

Now to the part where I could have died. You see, in London people drive on the other side of the street, so my instincts were very confused. I was crossing the street and I looked the wrong way and did not see the fast car coming. So when I was crossing, the car stopped about two inches away. Everyone screamed. I will be much more careful, and much more thankful of my life. I am still in London and decided to send in the story now.

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Food & Dining



SIMPLE ART OF COOKING

by Silvia Lehrer

I can hardly wait for the bay scallop season, which traditionally begins the first Monday in November. When I checked in with Jim Cornesi of Cor-J Seafood in Hampton Bays several weeks ago, he was cautious as to the availability and quality of the bays as it would take a week or longer after the season begins to determine the outcome.

Yes we do have bay scallops on the East End with reports that are somewhat mixed on how good the crop is or if the availability will last the season. In a good year, the season can go into March. But there is optimism and boats are going out for bay scallops in Shinnecock and Peconic Bay. If our local bays don't go the season, I'm told that bay scallops will be available from Nantucket and Cape Cod as the season progresses.

The delectable, sweet-as-candy bays are a special treat and looking good at our local fishmongers. These treats will cost you anywhere from \$20 to \$30 a pound, but a little can go a long way. One pound can feed up to six people in a salad with radicchio and leek deliciously dressed with balsamic vinaigrette. An inspired sauté of bay scallops can be prepared in a matter of minutes – just prep the

few ingredients ahead, and voilà, another treat for the short season that we have them.

PECONIC BAY SCALLOP SAUTÉ WITH MACHE

Mise en place is the way to go – bay scallops cook in a flash!

Serves 4

1 pound bay scallops, side muscle removed

1 container mache (microgreens) washed and spin-dried

3 tablespoons unsalted butter

Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

Grated lemon rind plus 2 tablespoons lemon juice

1 to 2 tablespoons coarsely chopped flat-leaf Italian parsley

1. Refrigerate scallops, covered with a moistened towel, until ready to use (cook within a day of purchase). Have remaining ingredients prepped and ready to cook.

2. Melt butter in a 10 to 12-inch heavy skillet and when butter foam subsides and butter is starting to color, quickly add scallops in one layer and sauté for 40 to 45 seconds, turning once. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Add grated lemon rind and juice and toss through the scallops. Remove from heat, sprinkle with parsley and serve at once over a bed of mache, divided equally on serving plates.



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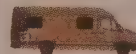
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the fragrant sauce for this simple-to-prepare salad.
Serves 4 to 6

- 1 pound Peconic Bay scallops
- 1 small head radicchio, trimmed and carefully washed
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup finely chopped shallots
- 2 to 3 leeks, trimmed, carefully washed and julienned
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter

1. Remove tough muscle from side of scallops and discard. Rinse scallops quickly and pat dry with paper towels.

2. Arrange radicchio leaves on warm, not hot, plates.

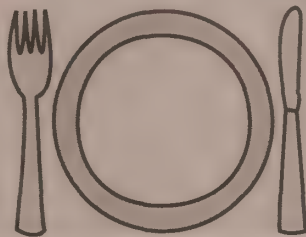
3. Warm olive oil in a large skillet and add shallots and leek julienne. Toss to coat and sauté briefly over medium heat, about 1 to 2 minutes. Leek should be slightly crisp. Sprinkle mixture with salt and pepper. Transfer equal amounts to plates with radicchio.

4. Add scallops to the skillet and sauté quickly, barely 1 minute. Season with salt and pepper and toss to mix. Arrange scallops evenly over radicchio leaves. Add balsamic vinegar to the skillet and bring to a boil. Swirl the butter through the pan juices and season lightly with salt and pepper, as necessary. Spoon the thickened juices over the scallops and serve immediately.

For more recipes and Lehrer's blog posts visit www.Savoringthehamptons.com.

SIDE DISH

by Aji Jones



The Living Room Restaurant in East Hampton announces the return of the Art and Dine series featuring dinners highlighting guest artists, writers and musicians. The first dinner in the 2011-2012 series is Tuesday, December 6. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with a meet and greet followed by a two-course prix fixe dinner with a glass of wine and dessert cookie plate. A discussion with gallerist and curator Eric Firestone, led by Heather Buchanan, ensues. Cost is \$36 per person, plus tax and gratuity. 631-324-5006

Bistro 72 at Hotel Indigo in Riverhead serves breakfast daily beginning at 7 a.m. The farm-to-table menu includes steel cut oats with poached local pears, toasted almonds and vanilla bean syrup (\$10); crepes with caramelized pineapple and mango, citrus syrup and coconut mint foam (\$12); and "Eggs Indigo" with Mecox Bay Farm's cheddar cheese biscuit, Canadian bacon, poached eggs, truffled Hollandaise sauce and chive oil (\$12). 631-369-3325

Casa Basso in Westhampton is open for dinner nightly. The a la carte menu features fettuccine Alfredo (\$19); chicken Parmigiana (\$27); and veal osso bucco (\$38). Entrees are served with a house salad and choice of vegetable, pasta or potato. In addition, a \$25 three-course prix fixe menu is available all night, every night except Friday and Saturday when it is only offered between 5 and 6:30

p.m. 631-288-1841

Comtesse Thérèse Bistro in Aquebogue offers a \$24.95 three-course dinner prix fixe on Wednesday and Thursday from 5 to 10 p.m. Chef Arie Pavlou's menu changes weekly but selections may include venison chili; pork ribs braised in Woodside Farms apple cider with local cranberry beans; and crepes Suzette with house made French vanilla ice cream. 631-779-2800

Il Capuccino Ristorante in Sag Harbor presents Sunday brunch from noon to 3 p.m. Menu selections include a Monterey Jack cheese omelette with avocado, peach salsa and corn tortilla chips (\$12.95); Chef's bread French toast, maple syrup and fresh berries (\$10.95); and traditional eggs Benedict with Canadian bacon (\$13.95). 631-725-2747

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Race Lane in East Hampton presents a three-course prix fixe Thursday through Monday. From 5 to 7 p.m., diners may choose any appetizer or salad, entrée and dessert for \$30. The menu features roasted beet salad with fried herbed goat cheese, pistachio and mint; whole grilled Branzino with rainbow Swiss chard; and strawberry Napoleon with puff pastry, tequila macerated strawberries, mousseline and balsamic drizzle. 631-324-5022

Serafina in East Hampton offers a special \$12 wine flight every Thursday night. Featuring three wines from the North Fork's Peconic Bay Winery, it includes rosé, a Chardonnay-Pinot Grigio-Riesling blend and a Merlot-Cabernet Sauvignon-Cabernet Franc blend. Available at the bar or at a table, it complements plates of penne with smoked bacon, tomato, vodka and cream (\$15.50); risotto "Veuve Clicquot" with champagne and porcini (\$22); and grilled filet Mignon with green peppercorn sauce (\$29). 631-267-3500.

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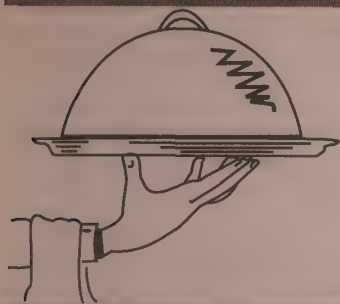
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HAMPTONS EPICURE

Stacy Dermont

Get stuffing those stockings!

I have a reputation for giving a lot of uniquely appropriate gifts to family and friends. For Christmas my approach is "three little, three bigs." That's three stocking stuffers and three gifts that don't fit in a stocking, per close relative. Mammals are incapable of focusing on more than three points of interest at one time. This is why lion tamers poke four-footed chairs at lions. It throws 'em off.

Apparently six gifts per relative seems like a lot to the recipients. A "big" could just be a hat or a scarf or a toy boat, not expensive items. I think it's the stocking stuffers that dazzle. Many people don't bother with the small stuff. Think outside the gift box.

I buy goodies whenever I see them throughout the year, but I make a point of scouring the local church fairs for homemade preserves and handmade ornaments and knitted things in December. And every new baby gets a tube of A & D Ointment and a stuffed animal from "Crazy Aunt Stacy."

I found really cool rose-scented soap petals at John Dillon's salon in Southampton. Only \$5 for a nice container of nifty "flowers" of delicate soap. The salon staff throws some of these petals into the footbath when you get a pedicure there. Love it.

I'll definitely pop into Flowers & Company's Antiques Center in Southampton for some Blossom Meadow beeswax candles from the North Fork. Disposable sort of gifts are ideal for people who already have everything. Plus candles make a great hostess gift.

I like to give nice dishcloths to cooks I know. It's something that they rarely buy for themselves, despite the fact that they use them all the time. Williams-Sonoma in Bridgehampton is good for "little kitchen moments" like this.

I am hooked on the new Tasting Room's (www.tastingroom.com) wine samplers! Tiny bottles of top wines. It's great fun to have a tasting of multiple bottles—but also fun to give the bottles individually. Most people haven't seen these miniatures yet. For years I've been stuffing a festively wrapped, tiny bottle of vodka into the back of our box at the post office. We get good service at our local post office.

As a restaurant reviewer, people often ask me for suggestions on where to eat. Where "bigger" gifts are in order, I give restaurant gift certificates to some of my favorite eateries. What the raccoons leave behind in our home's dumpster can't be pretty. Our garbage man probably deserves a dinner out at Race Lane in East Hampton.

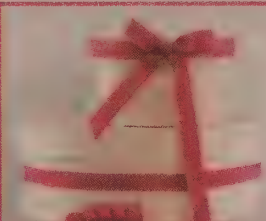
In order to send out some East End love this season, I'm going to be shipping some local vinegars (Wolffer Estate Vineyard's Rosé Vinegar, Shinn's Red Wine Vinegar) and BBQ sauces (Iacono Farms, Pete's Endless Summer, Action Jackson). Who doesn't love a taste of the East End? I'll also be sending out small jars of local salts from Amagansett Sea Salt Co. and Taste of the North Fork.



My dream booties, by Miu Miu...

I am among the "impossible to buy for," have been for years. I get a lot of free samples and stuff from producers—it's not like I need ANY more stuff at all... but I do have one desire: Miu Miu's Glitter &

Suede Bow Peep Toe Ankle Boots, size 10. They are so gorgeous, so wild, so inappropriate for moi moi... My family wisely gives me a gift certificate to T.J. Maxx every year. 'Stuffs my stocking!



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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



ART COMMENTARY

by Marion W. Weiss

The Art of Documentary: "On The Bench," Part 2

If you passed East Hampton's Starbucks this fall, chances are you would have run into artist/filmmaker Jeff Dell and his colleagues interviewing passersby for their camera. While encountering cameras shooting in the Hamptons isn't such an unusual sight, Dell's particular endeavor is one to be noticed: it's his third *On the Bench* documentary and the tenth anniversary since his first movie in the series. (The first two works have been shown at the Hamptons International Film Festival.)

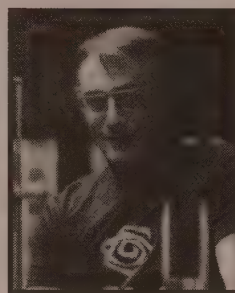
On the Bench does not follow a cinema verite approach like films by Leacock and Pennebaker. Instead, the camera remains still, featuring the people who sit down beside Dell on a bench outside Starbucks. His series focuses on the individuals who

happen by (unlike cinema verite which often captures a salient turning point, juxtaposing an event with the people involved). Simply put, Dell comments on the human condition, not on actions. Particularly, the recent *On the Bench* tries to pinpoint the differences between the past and the present in the lives of East Enders.

This theme is played out in a curious way: now Starbucks is used as a focal point, a fairly new store to inhabit Main Street. Gone is Dreesen's, an established East Hampton landmark that functioned as the previous site for the films. Most people interviewed by Dell didn't notice the venue change or recognize that the area had changed. Only one man commented on the "good old days," noting that "35 years ago Main Street was all mom and pop stores. I'd like to return to the past." Dell was more assertive in his rebuttal, saying, "We all hate it now."

The past and present were juxtaposed visually when Dell cut to black-and-white clips from previous *On the Bench* films with cultural commentator Faith Popcorn proclaiming that Dell's effort "is ridiculous." A yoga teacher also weighed in, doing the same exercises 10 years later for the new movie.

The people dropping by are memorable, too, this time as in the past: Dell's wife, Bunny, telling a joke; Steven Spielberg who didn't participate in the



Jeff Dell

"bench" experience but kept on walking down the street. And, of course, there are the local townspeople we never heard of who are funny and often pithy. Dell and his long-time assistants, Charlie Grossman and Paul Cohen, are having a good time through it all.

Dell has a long-standing penchant for commentary about humanity's passing parade. Consider a film he made during the 1970s, *Lunch Time*, when the camera documents the comings and goings of prostitutes in Times Square. Although Dell does not interview the subjects on

camera, his friends and wife discuss the state of prostitution as they watch the street action. The film also shows the "old Times Square" with its sleazy hotels, strip joints and sex shops. Dell and his fellow onlookers are "voyeurs," as we all are when we watch *On the Bench*.

Dell's movies are authentic, although his editing and music add a "punch" to the action. It's curious to note that when asked about his favorite films, he named Peter Watkins' fiction documentaries. We wonder if there is a connection between these works and Dell's movie-making career. We must not forget that Dell made some anti-Vietnam War documentaries that may relate to Watkins' *Punishment Park* and *The War Game*, both of which were brutally anti-establishment and anti-war.

We look forward to another *On the Bench* next year.

Art & Architecture: The ARC House



By Marion Wolberg Weiss

Thanksgiving weekend in the Hamptons brought forth not only holiday celebrations but the annual House Tour sponsored by the East Hampton Historical Society. Of particular interest to this art critic was the ARC House designed by Maziar Behrooz not only because it's a special structure but also because its modernist style is intriguing.

When we think about modern art, a wide range of movements come to mind, including Post-Impressionism, Cubism and Fauvism. Yet despite its stylistic diversity, Modernism focuses on a break from realism.

Modernist architecture denotes other aspects, like an emphasis on function, concrete and metal and lack of ornamentation. Modernist architects, such as I.M. Pei and Rem Koolhaas use function as a guiding principal rather than an adherence to nature.

Granted, this brief explanation may appear simplistic, but it serves the purpose of setting a contradictory context for the ARC House. In a nutshell, while both its style and interior design follow general modernist definitions, the building sometimes goes its separate way.

First, the elements representing cohesion to the modernist approach. Behrooz's design is certainly devoted to functional aspects, namely exceptional space that blocks noises from the nearby train tracks and airport's flight path. Moreover, the home's geothermal system makes for very efficient energy use and circulation of air. The design also adheres to the traditional modernist materials, like concrete and the corrugated metal roof.

The interior design mirrors the lack of ornamentation, reflecting Minimalism, a particular modernist style. For example, there aren't many paintings, and the rooms contain only a few pieces of needed furniture. The floors are covered with stunning hand-knotted rugs designed by the homeowner, which take the place of paintings; this lack of clutter brings attention to the arresting handmade wood coffee table, various wood sculpture-like objects scattered on the floor and two small works by Dale Chihuly.

Despite the adherence to Modernism, the Arc House is unique. First, the use of wood in the interior design seems to contradict the structure's cement and metal materials. Yet this connection to nature that wood suggests fits, bringing together the open spaces of Behrooz's design and the idea of a symbiotic relationship between people and the outdoors. Other materials establish an equally warm, nature-evoking ambience, like the rugs and



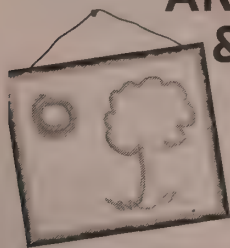
the gray-green colors of one of the bedspreads.

Nature is duplicated in another, more subtle way. When asked what his influence for the house's shape had been, Behrooz noted that Motherwell's Quonset-shaped studio in the Hamptons was an inspiration. Thus, the ARC House recalls a large roof structure enclosing a big volume, like a Quonset hut, even though Behrooz's building is not as long as a normal hut but rather a slice of it. Nature also plays a part when we realize that nurseries and greenhouses are also in the form of Quonset huts.

Circles suggest nature as well. Consider the roof's semi-arch shape, a circular bathtub on the lower level and Chihuly's glass vessels. These forms indicate the presence of vibrant life forces, a fact born out by the ARC House itself.

Information on Maziar Behrooz is found on his website: mbarchitecture.com.

ART OPENINGS & GALLERIES



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OPENINGS AND EVENTS

GIFT MARKET RECEPTION & TALK - Friday, December 2, 5-8 p.m., East End Arts and Carriage House, 133 East Main Street, Riverhead, 631-727-0900, Stephanie.Smith@eastendarts.org. First Friday Artists Talk with Rosamaria Eisler, 6 p.m.

EAST END ARTS SEEKING PERFORMANCE ARTISTS - 1/27/12 - The East End Arts Gallery is seeking performance artists to participate in their Members Show reception on January 27, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Montaukett building at Suffolk Community College in Riverhead. Any performance artist with a talent is encouraged to contact the East End Arts Gallery at 631-727-0900.

BY HAND - 12/10, 12/11 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Ashawagh Hall in East Hampton. "By Hand" artisans will return for a special holiday gift show. The show features handmade jewelry, pottery, stained glass, ceramics, and more. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free. For more information call Jill at 631-987-6312.

THE CRAZY MONKEY GALLERY - Presents works by Jana and Jim Hayden, and the "Small Works Show." Begins December 2 and runs until January 1. The gallery will also present an exhibit titled "Small Works" by members of the art cooperative. On view will be art by Claire and Daniel Schoenheimer, Wilhemina Howe, Lance Corey, Barbara Bilotta, Andrea McCafferty, Anna Franklin, Ellyn and Bob Tucker, Sheila Rotner, June Kaplan, Mark Zimmerman, Diane Marx, Ruth Rogers-Altmann and Catherine Silver. Opening reception will be held on Saturday, December 3, from 5 to 7 p.m. For more information, visit the gallery website, www.thecrazymonkeygallery.com.

NOYAC COMMUNITY GALLERY - Opening ceremony December 3 from 6 to 8 p.m., artist talk December 10 from 3 to 5 p.m., exhibition dates from December 1 to the 17th featuring the work of Ryan F. Kennedy and Ingrid Silva.

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BOCK ART LIMITED GALLERY - Works by Charles Bock, 16 Hill St., SH. 631-287-1078, www.bockartlimited.com.

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CHUCK SEAMAN FISH PRINTING - 27B Gardner's Lane, HB. 631-338-7977.

THE DRAWING ROOM - through 12/31 - Paintings, sculpture, drawings, photographs, jewelry and ceramics by John Alexander, Diane Mayo and Caio Fonseca, 66 Newtown Lane, EH, 631-324-5016.

EAST END ARTS COUNCIL GALLERY - 133 East Main St., RVHD. 631-727-0900, www.eastendarts.org. (See listing above.)

EAST HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - The Claus Hoie Gallery of Whaling, East Hampton Town Marine Museum, East Hampton Historical Society, 301 Bluff Rd., EH. RSVP: 631-324-6850.

GUILD HALL - Three exhibits on view through 1/16: Drew Shiflett, "Constructed Drawings," "Selections from the Permanent Collection," and "Contrabando," works by Rafael Ferrer, 158 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0806.

FOUR NORTH MAIN STREET GALLERY - "The Other Portrait Show," artists Daniel Gonzalez, Paton Miller, Novel Degaetano, Brian O'Leary, John Pomianowski and Zellie Rellim. Located at 4 N. Main Street Gallery, SH. 631-885-1289.

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MARK HUMPHREY GALLERY - "The Renaissance NYC," group show. 95 Main St., SH. 631-283-3113, www.markhumphreygallery.com.

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PARASKEVAS - Works by Michael Paraskevas. By appt. 83 Main St., WHB. 631-287-1665.

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ROMANY KRAMORIS - The gallery's holiday exhibition includes local artists Shey Wolvek, Isabel Pavao, Jude Amsel, Christopher Engel, George Wazenegger, Laura Rozenberg, Maria Orlova, and many others. The Christmas show focuses on small works of art. Special pricing on artist of the week. Holiday cheer served every Saturday and Sunday. Joy and music. Through January 8. Open weekdays 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and 10 a.m.-11 p.m. or later on weekends. 41 Main St., SGH. 631-725-2499, www.kramorisgallery.com.

ROSALIE DIMON GALLERY - The Jamesport Manor Inn, 320 Manor Lane, JP. 631-722-0500.

SILAS MARDER GALLERY, 120 Snake Hollow Road, BH. Holiday Salon group show, through December 18, and "Architecture of a Bomb," a site-specific installation by Ben Butler and Michael Rosch. 631.702.2306 or info@silasmarder.com.

SOUTHAMPTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM - "The Joy of Toys," Rogers Mansion, 17 Meeting House Lane, Southampton Historical Museum, through December 31, Tuesdays-Saturdays, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4 nonmembers. 631-283-2494.

SOUTH STREET GALLERY - featuring Sibylle-Maria Pfaffenbichler, "The Joy of Music and Dance" exhibition. 18 South Street, Greenport. 631-477-0021.

THOMAS ARTHUR GALLERIES - 54 Montauk Hwy, AMG. 18th and 20th-century oil paintings and prints. New shows monthly. 631-324-9070, www.antiquesvalue.net.

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VERED - Winter group exhibition, "Landscape/Seascape," by modern masters Milton Avery, Oscar Bluemner and Thomas Moran will be on display with contemporary works by Wolf Kahn, Jules Olitski, Robert Dash, Balcomb Greene and Grant Haffner through January 30, 68 Park Place, EH, 631-324-3303.

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UA EAST HAMPTON CINEMA 6 (+) (631-324-0448)
Arthur Christmas (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:50, 7:50, Fri., 4:50, 7:50, 10:15 Sat., 2:15, 4:50, 7:50, 10:15 Sun., 2:15, 4:50, 7:50

The Descendants (R) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:45, 7:40, Fri., 4:45, 7:40, 10:20 Sat., 2, 4:45, 7:40, 10:20 Sun., 2, 4:45, 7:40

Happy Feet (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:15, 7:15, Fri., 4:15, 7:15, 9:50 Sat., 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:50 Sun., 1:30, 4:15, 7:15

Hugo (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:10, 7:20, Fri., 4:10, 7:20, 10:25 Sat., 1:20, 4:10, 7:20, 10:25 Sun., 1:20, 4:10, 7:20

Jay Edgar (R) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:20, 7:30, Fri., 4:20, 7:30, 10:30 Sat., 1:15, 4:20, 7:30, 10:30 Sun., 1:15, 4:20, 7:30

Twilight (PG13) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4, 7, Fri., 4, 7, 10 Sat., 1, 4, 7, 10 Sun., 1, 4, 7

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Jack and Jill (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:45, 7:20, Fri., 4:45, 7:20, 10:20 Sat., 1:45, 4:45, 7:20, 10:20 Sun., 1:45, 4:45, 7:20

My Week With Marilyn (R) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:30, 7:30, Fri., 4:30, 7:30, 10 Sat., 1:30, 4:30,

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Twilight Breaking Dawn (PG13) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:15, 7:10, Fri., 4:15, 7:10, 10:10 Sat., 1:15, 4:15, 7:10, 10:10 Sun., 1:15, 4:15, 7:10

Arthur Christmas (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4, 7, Fri., 4, 7, 9:45 Sat., 1, 4, 7, 9:45 Sun., 1, 4, 7

SAG HARBOR CINEMA (+) (631-725-0010)

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Ides of March - Sat, 3

The Skin I Live In - Saturday 7:10, Friday, Sunday, Monday, Thursday, 7

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Puss In Boots (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4, 7:20, Fri., 4, 7:20, 9:55 Sat., 1:50, 4, 7:20, 9:55 Sun., 1:50, 4, 7:20

Happy Feet (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:20, 7:10, Fri., 4:20, 7:10, 9:45 Sat., 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:45 Sun., 1:40, 4:20, 7:10

The Muppets (PG) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:30, 7:30, Fri., 4:30, 7:30, 10:15 Sat., 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15 Sun., 1:30, 4:30, 7:30

Tower Heist (PG13) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:40, 7:40, Fri., 4:40, 7:40, 10 Sat., 2, 4:40, 7:40, 10 Sun., 2, 4:40, 7:40

Twilight (PG13) - Mon., Tues., Weds., Thurs., 4:10, 7, Fri., 4:10, 7, 10:10 Sat., 1:20, 4:10, 7, 10:10 Sun., 1:20, 4:10, 7

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Arthur Christmas (PG)

Jack and Jill (PG)

Puss In Boots 3D (PG)

Tower Heist (PG-13)

J. Edgar (R)

Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn (PG13)

Hugo (PG)

Happy Feet 2 In 3D (PG)

The Muppets (PG)

HAMPTON ARTS (WESTHAMPTON BEACH) (+) (631-288-2600)

J. Edgar (R) - Fri, 8, Sat, Sun, 5, 8, Mon-Thurs, 7

Twilight (PG13) - Fri., 7:30, Sat, 5, 7:30, Sun, 5, 7:30, Mon-Thurs, 7

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POLAR BEAR PLUNGE – 12/10, 10 a.m. Cooper's Beach, Meadow Ln., SH. 631-283-6415.

ORGANIZATION LATINO-AMERICANA FILM FESTIVAL – 12/10, 6 p.m. and 12/11, Parrish Art Museum, 25 Job's Ln., SH. \$7/members \$5. 631-283-2118. www.parrishart.org.

RISING STARS PIANO SERIES PRESENTS KARA HUBER – 12/10, 7 p.m. Southampton Cultural Center, 25 Pond Ln., SH. 631-287-4377, www.scc-arts.org. \$15/ students under 21 free.

"BY HAND" ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIFT SHOW – 12/10-12/11, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Ashawagh Hall, 780 Springs-Fireplace Road, EH. 631-987-6312. Handmade jewelry, pottery, stained glass, ceramics, hand-woven scarves & clothing, shibori dyed silks, woodcarving, greeting cards, toys fine art & more! Refreshments.

HORTICULTURAL ALLIANCE – Garden Performance by Pat Stone/Anniversary Party - 12/11, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m., Bridgehampton Community House, Main St. at School St., BH. 631-537-2223. \$10/members free. Bring finger food. www.hahgarden.com.

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING – 12/11, 4-6 p.m., The Living Room c/o The Maidstone, 207 Main Street, EH. 631-324-5006. The tree lighting event will feature several activities and goodies for all attendees.

EAST HAMPTON DAY CARE LEARNING CENTER'S 5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY – 12/11, 6 - 8 p.m., The Palm Restaurant at The Hunting Inn, 94 Main St., EH. Silent Auction and Raffle \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. 631-324-5560, www.easthamptondaycare.org.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING WORKSHOP – 12/14 & 12/15, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. East Hampton Continuing Education Program, East Hampton High School, 2 Long Ln., EH. Save money on your insurance premiums, no exam. 631-725-1485. \$55.

SEISKAYA BALLET NUTCRACKER – 12/16 – 12/19, Staller Center, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook. Adults \$40, children & seniors \$34. www.nutcrackerballet.com.

NUTCRACKER SWEET – professionals and students of WHBPAC students – 12/17 7 p.m. & 12/18 3 p.m. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main St., WHB. 631-288-1500, www.whbpac.org. \$15.

THURSDAY, 1

LAST DAY OF COMMUNITY FOOD AND TOY DRIVE – Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center. Noon-6 p.m. Drop off various types of non-perishable food items and/or new, packaged, unwrapped toys. 76 Main St., WHB. www.whbpac.org. 631-288-1500.

MULTI-FAITH WORLD AIDS DAY SERVICE - 7 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Meetinghouse, 977 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Tpk., BH. 631-537-0132.

STUDIO PLAYHOUSE PRESENTS AN EVENING OF ONE ACT PLAYS – also 12/2 & 12/3, 7:30 p.m. LTV, 75 Industrial Rd., WS. 631-537-2777, ltvef.org. \$15/students & seniors \$10.

FRIDAY, 2

CANDLELIGHT FRIDAYS AT WOLFFER – VANESSA TROUBLE - 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Wolffer Estate Vineyard, 139 Sagg Rd., SGK. 631-537-5106, www.wolffer.com.

GROOVE GUMBO SUPER BAND FEATURING PIANIST HECTOR MATIGNON AND BASSIST WAYNE BURGESS – 7-9:30 p.m. Agave Mexican Bar and Restaurant, 1970 Montauk Hwy., BH. Every Friday night, 631-237-1334, www.agavehamptons.com. \$5.

CROSSROADS MUSIC PRESENTS ON THE AIR WITH WPPB – 7 p.m. Guild Hall, 158 Main St., EH. \$20/ members \$18. www.guildhall.org.

THE HEDGEHOG – 7:30 p.m. Also 12/3 7:30 p.m. and 12/4, 1 & 4 p.m. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts

Center, 76 Main St., WHB. 631-288-1500, www.whbpac.org.

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE AT THE ROSS HOLIDAY LOUNGE – 7:30 – 11 p.m. and **HOLIDAY SHOPPING WEEKEND** 12/2-4, Ross School Court Theater, 18 Goodfriend Dr., EH. \$50 in advance; \$60 at the door. 631-907-5173.

LATIN NIGHT – 75 Main, SH. \$5 Coronas and margaritas, music. 631-283-7575, www.75main.com.

SATURDAY, 3

SAG HARBOR FARMERS MARKET – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Bay Burger, 1742 Bridgehampton- Sag Harbor Turnpike, SGH.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. First Presbyterian Church, South Main St., SH.

BRIDGEHAMPTON ASSOCIATION HOLIDAY FAIR – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. St. Ann's Parish House, 2463 Main St., BH. Handmade gifts and decorations. Free admission.

SATURDAY MORNING FOOD AND WINTER COAT PICK UP – 9 a.m. – noon, also 12/17, 1/7, 2/4, 2/18. Call 631-725-2458 in advance. All food and coats distributed from the Old Whalers Church in Sag Harbor free of charge.

SOUTHAMPTON TRAILS WHISKEY HILL HIKE – 10 a.m. Meet on Mill Path Off Lopers Path east, BH. Hilly, moderately paced 1.5 mile hike with ocean views from top of the moraine. Jean Dodds, 631-599-2391. www.southamptontrails.org.

SAINT NICK'S FAIR – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Christ Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 4 East Union St., SGH. Handicrafts, baked goods, gifts, wreaths, jam, Santa. Free admission. 631-725-0128.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Old Whalers' Church, 44 Union St., SGH. Vendors, Christmas cookies, adoptable pets, jewelry, jam, more. To donate call 631-725-5868. www.oldwhalerschurch.org.

1ST ANNUAL FRIENDS BAZAAR: ORIGINAL ART & FINE CRAFTS WITHIN REACH – 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Ashawagh, Springs. www.annualfriendsbazaar.com.

MARDERS GARDEN LECTURE – 10 a.m. Making Your Own Holiday Wreath Lecture, 120 Snake Hollow Rd., BH. 631-702-2306.

HORTICULTURAL ALLIANCE GARDEN BOOK DISCUSSION – *American Eden, Founding Gardeners and Thoughtful Gardening* - 10 a.m., Bridgehampton Community House, Main St. at School St., BH. 631-537-2223. Free

THE MET LIVE: RODELINDA – 12:30 p.m. Guild Hall, 158 Main St., EH. www.guildhall.org. \$22/members \$20. Featuring Shelter Island's own Moritz Linn.

DAVA SOBEL READING AT EAST HAMPTON LIBRARY - 3-5 p.m. 159 Main St., EH. Limited seating 631-324-0222 ext. 3, www.easthamptonlibrary.org.

HEARTHSIDE CHEER – 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Rogers Mansion, 17 Meetinghouse Ln., SH. 631-283-2494. \$5.

MUSIC FOR MONTAUK HOLIDAY CONCERT - 7 p.m., Montauk School, S. Dorset Rd., Montauk. Dick Lowenthal Orchestra performs selected jazz and swing favorites. Free.

LIVE DANCE PARTIES AT SL EAST – 8:30 p.m. Cover band Full House goes on at 9 a.m. SL East, 44 Three Mile Harbor Rd., EH with East Hampton Studio and Ocean Sound and Light host weekly Saturday night dance parties with live bands and a D.J. No cover charge before 11 p.m. Sponsors: The Enclave Inn, Dan's Papers, WVVH-Hamptons TV, East Hampton Studio, Ocean Sound and Light, East Hampton Indoor Tennis, Hampton Access, Dan Bailey & Living Rhythm, Hospitality Capital Advisors, Beach 101.7, Soozy PR. All bottles will be half price. Reservations 631-324-3332.

SUNDAY, 4

SOUTHAMPTON TRAILS PRESERVATION SOCIETY - Paumanok Path Horseback Ride – 9 a.m. Meet on Merchants Path and Wainscott Harbor Rd., SGK. B.Y.O. horse and helmet. Must be a member of S.T.P.S. to participate due to insurance. Easy join day of ride. Call Barbara Bornstein to reserve, 631-537-6188.

SOUTHAMPTON TRAILS PRESERVATION SOCIETY - Trout Pond Surprise – 10 a.m.-Noon. Meet at Trout Pond parking lot on Noyac Road (across from Mill Road). Hilly, moderately paced 3-mile hike to the unknown. Tony Garro, 631-725-5861. www.southamptontrails.org.

52nd ANNUAL SILVER TEA – noon – 3 p.m. Most Holy Trinity Church, 77 Buell Ln., EH. Raffles, auction, food, sale. 631-324-0134. Free.

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DOCUMENTARY - BEAUTIFUL TREE, SEVERED ROOTS – 2 p.m. Bay Street Theatre, Long Wharf, SGH. www.baystreet.org. \$20 at the door.

PICK OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December 4
Beautiful Tree,
Severed Branches
at Bay Street Theatre

BALLET IN CINEMA: SLEEPING BEAUTY – 2 p.m. Parrish Art Museum, 25 Job's Ln., SH. \$15/members \$12. 631-283-2118. www.parrishart.org.

CHORAL SOCIETY OF THE HAMPTONS PRE-CONCERT BRUNCH – 12:30 p.m. Pierre's Restaurant, 2468 Main St., BH. \$150. See listing below.

WREATHMAKING WORKSHOP – 2 - 4 p.m. Bridge Gardens, 36 Mitchell Ln., BH. 631-283-3195. www.peconiclandtrust.org. \$30.

CHORAL SOCIETY OF THE HAMPTONS MESSIAH CONCERTS - 3 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. Bridgehampton Presbyterian Church, BH. \$25/ \$30 day of show. This event is likely to sell out. 631-204-9402, www.choralsocietyofthehamptons.org.

MONDAY, 5

ONE BOOK/ONE COMMUNITY BOOK CLUB - DISCUSSING ENRIQUE'S JOURNEY – 1 p.m. Hampton Library, 2478 Montauk Hwy., BH. 631-537-0015. www.hamptonlibrary.org.

NOT IN OUR TOWN - LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS – 5:30 p.m. screening. Hampton Library, 2478 Montauk Hwy., BH. The film captures the grief and social action in Patchogue following the 2008 murder of Marcelo Lucero, an Ecuadorian immigrant. 631-537-0015. www.hamptonlibrary.org.

JAZZ JAM AT THE PIZZA PLACE – 7-9 p.m., Mondays. The Pizza Place, 2123 Montauk Hwy, BH. Join us for an open jazz jam session featuring The Dennis Rafflelock Duo. Up-and-comers & old timers welcome! 631-537-7865.

TUESDAY, 6

SOUTHAMPTON ARTISTS ASSOCIATION DRAWING WORKSHOPS – 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Southampton Cultural Center, SH. 631-725-5851.

WEDNESDAY, 7

LIVE FROM OPENING NIGHT AT LA SCALA: MOZART'S DON GIOVANNI – noon, Parrish Art Museum, 25 Job's Ln., SH. \$22/members \$18. 631-283-2118. www.parrishart.org.

GREATER WESTHAMPTON CHAMBER HOLIDAY DINNER CELEBRATION – 6:30 p.m. Casa Basso, live music by The Killer Bees. R.S.V.P. 631-288-3337 by 12/6. www.whbcc.org. \$40.

THURSDAY, 8

HELP SAG HARBOR FOOD PANTRY STAY GREEN – donate canvas bags in the blue bin outside Old Whalers' Church main office, 44 Union St., SGH.

JAM SESSION AT PAGE 63 – 7-9 p.m., Thursdays. Page, 63 Main St., SGH. Come enjoy some great jazz, played by musicians from the East End and beyond. Bring your instrument if you want to jam. 631-725-1810. Nonmusicians \$5.

LIVE MUSIC – 7-10 p.m. Muse Restaurant & Aquatic Lounge, 760 Montauk Hwy., WM. 631-726-2606, www.musehampton.com.

FRIDAY, 9

SOUTHAMPTON LIGHTING OF THE WINDMILL – 5-7 p.m. Stony Brook Southampton, SH. Treats for all ages. Free.

EAST HAMPTON LANTERN TOUR – 12/9 7 p.m. Main Street and five East Hampton historic buildings: Clinton Academy, Osborn-Jackson House, the First Presbyterian Church, Mulford House, and Home Sweet Home. Participants will walk down Main Street, stopping in front of the historic houses and hearing fascinating commentary that brings to life the tales of the inhabitants—as well as experiencing all five historic buildings as they were illuminated in days of yore. Begin at Clinton Academy at 7 p.m., rain or shine. \$15, reservations required. 631-324-6850. www.easthamptonhistory.org.

MY AFTERNOONS WITH MARGUERITTE - 7:30 p.m. Also 12/10 7:30 p.m. and 12/11, 1 & 4 p.m. Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center, 76 Main St., WHB. 631-288-1500, www.whbpac.org.

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Check out www.danshamptons.com for more listings and events.

LETTERS

**THANKS MS. MYERS,
WHEREVER YOU ARE!**

Dear Dan,

For years I have suspected that our national obsession with raking and removing leaves each fall smacked of the ridiculous. Jeanelle Myers' column (The View from the Garden) in your paper was a refreshing reinforcement to my suppositions. After reading her advice about mulching leaves I felt as though my doctor told me to eat as much ice cream as possible.

I'm positive nature meant for the leaves to fall where they may and to fulfill their purpose by decomposing where they land.

Thank you Ms. Myers!

Mark Ginsberg
East Hampton

I agree. - DR

IS NY A LATE BLOOMER?

Dear Dan,

If New Yorkers really want to honor our veterans in uniform they could change the name of the New York Thruway and LIE to the "Blue Star Veterans Way/Heroes Highway." New Jersey has their Blue Star Highway and so do several states. So why is New York lagging behind, especially with the major events caused by 9/11?

It would also be a good idea if Governor Cuomo would display the Blue Star Flag in Albany and encourage other state, county and towns to display same in honor of our men and women in service to

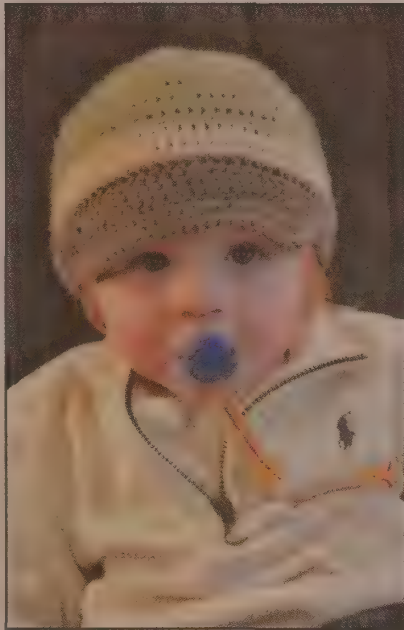


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Luke Ryan Shelley on Thanksgiving!

our country.

I have given the Blue Star flags to Huntington Town, Brookhaven Town and Suffolk County governments who publicly display them. During the world wars the Blue Star Flags were displayed by almost every home throughout America. So, come on New York, it is time to take the initiative and add the name of the Blue Star Veterans Highway in place of the thruway and LIE. Then encourage other government entities and citizens to display the Blue Star Flag.

Mike De Paoli,
Vietnam Veteran
Long Island

News to me. Worth considering. - DR

CULLEN'S ENCOUNTER

Dear Dan,

I read with interest the story about John Cullen and the German saboteurs in WW II. However, Cullen was not an "ensign" when he was posted to Amagansett. An "Ensign" is a commissioned

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officer and Cullen held the enlisted rate of Seaman 2nd Class at that time. Commissioned Officers are higher up in military hierarchy than the enlisted ranks or rates. In the picture of him receiving what appears to be the Legion of Merit, the rate insignia he is wearing is that of a Petty Officer 1st Class (E-6), an enlisted rate below that of an ensign. You wrote that "...the Germans, having changed from their naval officers' uniforms...". German Naval Officers were extremely class conscious and would be loath to send officers to blow things up. The saboteurs were not German Naval Officers, but Abwehr (German Intelligence Service) recruits for the sabotage mission. Most were blue-collar workers before their recruitment, which was based mostly on their familiarity with America and English. They had German marine uniforms, but they foolishly discarded them, along with the Geneva protections they carried.

John Dobise
Manorville

I stand corrected. - DR

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POLICE BLOTTER

Stealing

An employee of a daycare center in Southampton has allegedly stolen more than \$500,000 from the bank account that the center uses. Holy cow! I had no idea there was that much money in the daycare business.

Marijuana

A man in Montauk was caught with an unlawful amount of marijuana on his person after police observed him in his car and could smell the smoke of marijuana coming out of the window while he was parked at the beach.

A man sitting in his car at the beach in the middle of the wintertime in Montauk was smoking marijuana? Shocking!!! In other news, the sky is blue.

Shelter Island

Old Man McGumbus, 107 and former World War II P-29 aircraft engineer, was flying his personal airplane over Shelter Island last week. McGumbus, who owns a Cessna aircraft, had a sign attached to the back of the plane that read, "Dear Hippies, Please Go Away, Nobody Wants You On Shelter Island. This Is America God Damn It!" McGumbus was circling the island just over Coecles Harbor when he had engine trouble. He was heard over the emergency airwaves stating, "I'M HIT! I'M HIT! I'M GOING DOWN! I'M

GOING DOWN!"

McGumbus, who is an expert pilot, navigated his plane successfully over the Shelter Island Pancake Factory, which is owned by Sunshine Flower (yes that is his legal name) and crash-landed his plane directly into the small warehouse where all of the pancake flour is housed. The padding from the pancake flour saved his life. "YOU DID THIS ON PURPOSE YOU BIG JERK!" Flower was heard saying. McGumbus responded to Flower by yelling back, "YOU GOD DAMN HIPPIE!!!" and set fire to the warehouse with a match. The entire island smelled of deliciously fresh pancakes. A fistfight between McGumbus and Flower ensued, but it was broken up quickly.

Christmas

A creepy man in Southampton was walking up to children, shaking their hands and wishing them all Merry Christmas. OH GROW UP FOLKS, that was just a guy dressed up like Santa Claus and it is a wonderful thing for everyone!!!

Every Day I'm Shuffling

Three men on the North Fork were seen dancing in the middle of the street and singing the words, "Every day I'm shuffling...shuffling, shufflin'" No arrests were made, but this actually happened, and yes, I think it's awesome.

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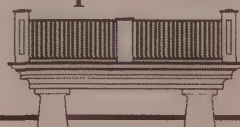
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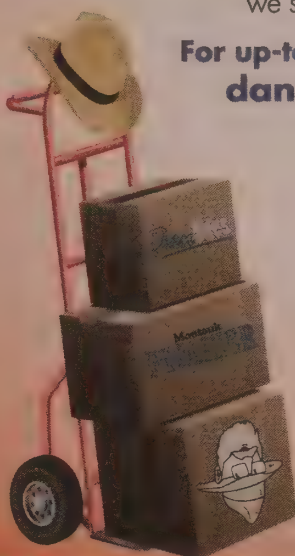
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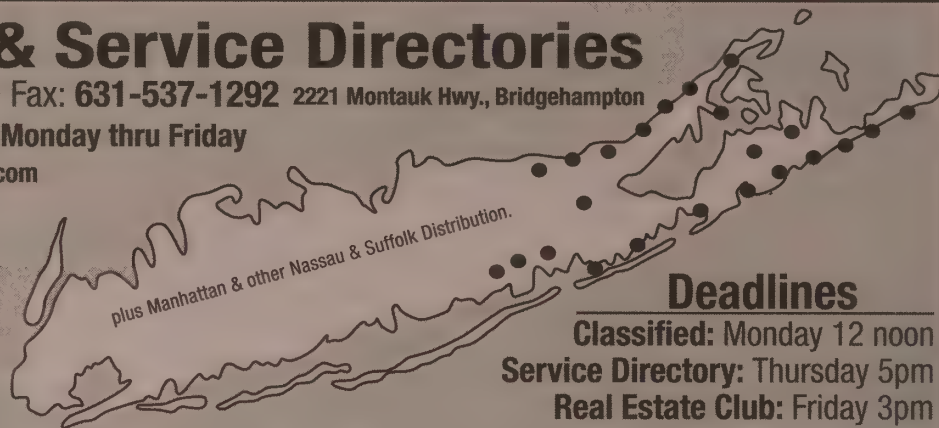
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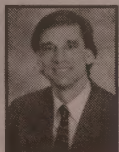
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